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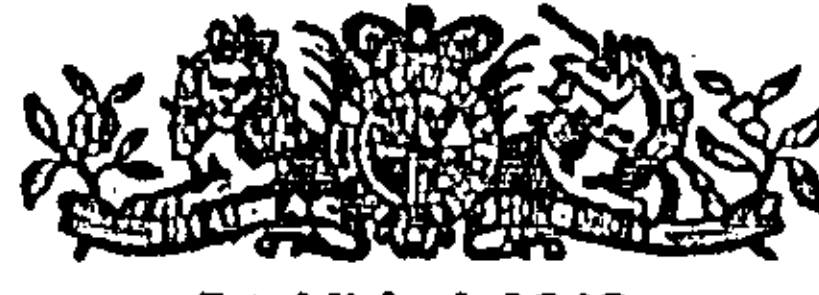
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## N-WEAPONS

NOW that the Geneva conference on the banning of nuclear weapons has broken down in fact though not formally, powerful voices in the United States are already urging President Kennedy to resume testing. Facing the President is a reappraisal which is truly agonizing.

The agreement for a resumption of testing has been defined by Mr. Kennedy himself: "For almost three years the United States has been willing to assume the risk of not testing nuclear weapons without the certainty that the Soviet Union has likewise stopped its testing. National security and the defenses of the free world do not allow this risk to be assumed indefinitely."

The opponents of resumption, such as Dr. Glen Seaborg, the new AEC chairman, reply that there is no evidence that the Soviet Union has been testing.

THE only kind of tests which cannot be detected by America and the Allies with certainty are underground explosions, and of these only small "threshold" detonations could be carried out without great risk of arousing suspicion. These are useful only for the development of tactical weapons.

So far, Russia with its superiority in conventional weapons in the Eurasian landmass and its known policy of avoiding involvement in small wars, has shown comparatively little interest in this kind of arms. It relies on the big nuclear bombs.

This argument, however, cut several ways. It may be because Russia has less advanced tactical atomic weapons that it has now decided to abandon negotiations at Geneva.

IF its need is urgent enough to justify this unpopular stand, there can be no certainty that it will not resume tests.

Mr. Khrushchev has admitted that "quite a few devices requiring practical testing have been developed in Russia."

If America formally ended the moratorium, therefore, Russia stands to benefit no less than the Pentagon which wants more efficient warheads for its new rockets.

The problem is which power would benefit most, and whether that benefit could materially affect the nuclear stalemate.

What is certain, is that America, unlike Russia, cannot resume tests secretly.

IF it announces a resumption of tests, it will incur throughout the world the odium which now should attach only to Russia for its wrecking tactics at Geneva.

Resumption is a political problem no less than a defense problem. Moreover it involves a decision which must be taken by politicians, notably Mr. Kennedy, after consideration of all its aspects and not merely on the sayso of generals who notoriously seek better weapons.

Certainly there will have to be overwhelming defense arguments to justify a decision which could once again subject the world to radiation hazards, which must accelerate the arms race, which will gravely damage the Western reputation, however, and which may well give Mr. Khrushchev the excuse he is seeking.

Economic situation worries the Chancellor  
**ANXIOUS DAYS FOR BRITAIN**

LLOYD: Worried.

Selwyn Lloyd  
in Commons  
budget debate

London, July 4. Chancellor of the Exchequer Mr. Selwyn Lloyd today expressed anxiety about the development of the economic situation in Britain. He told the House of Commons: "We are passing through very anxious days."

Concerning corrective action to remedy the situation, Mr. Lloyd said a "wide range of possibilities are open to me in the money fields and other fields."

He added: "I have taken no specific decisions, but I shall take decisions which I think are right in the interest of the country and will seek to complement them at a time when I think it is in the interest of the country to do so."

Mr. Lloyd was speaking today during a Commons debate on the current 1961/1962 budget. The British budget is published by the government in April each year, and the budget debate is held afterwards. The final vote on the budget in Parliament will be in about 10 days' time.

## Reject

At today's session, the House of Commons rejected by 231 votes to 178 an Opposition Labour Party amendment to the budget which called for the suppression of two economy "regulators" included in the government bill.

## Reply

In reply to a question, Mr. Lloyd said he would make a statement in the Commons on the economic situation before Parliament adjourns for the summer holidays at the beginning of August. But he would not say whether he would announce his decision before the recess.

RAUL CASTRO  
SAID BADLY  
HURT IN  
BOMB BLAST

Miami, July 4. Station WCKT-TV today said that Raul Castro, Cuban Armed Forces Chief, and brother of Cuban Prime Minister Fidel Castro, was critically injured by an assassin's bomb on June 29 and was not expected to live through tonight.

Quoting a source the television station said had been reliable in the past, WCKT-TV said Raul and his brother-in-law were both injured in the bomb blast in Santiago de Cuba.

The name of the brother-in-law was not given, but the report said he subsequently died of the injuries.

The televised report said Raul suffered chest and back injuries. It said specialists had been summoned from Czechoslovakia to treat him.—AP.

Time not ripe,  
says Menzies

Hobart, July 4. Australian Prime Minister Mr. Robert G. Menzies said today that he did not think the time was ripe for a Commonwealth Prime Ministers' conference on the issue of Britain's entry into the European Common Market.

He denied a Canberra report that Australia probably would support Canada's proposal for such a conference.

"You cannot hold such a meeting on generalizations," Mr. Menzies said.—UPI.

ANOTHER DEADLOCK  
IN LAOS TALKS?

Geneva, July 4. A violent East-West dispute over international control threatened to deadlock the Laos peace conference today.

American, Soviet and Communist Chinese delegates clashed bitterly on how the seven-week-old conference should proceed. The Communists demanded immediate discussion of a neutrality statute for Laos, leaving the question of controls untouched until later.

The West, with the United States acting as spokesman, insisted that effective control of hostilities must be worked out first.

## SESSION

United States delegate Mr. John M. Steeves told the 28th conference session that the new Communist demands were designed to conceal "intervention and aggression" in Laos.

An American spokesman described the new Sino-Soviet campaign in these words: "We felt that the tactics of the Communist delegations were to divert the attention of the

Motion to sack Bank  
of Canada Governor

Ottawa, July 4. The House of Commons today approved in principle the government's legislation to fire Bank of Canada Governor James E. Coyne.

The Conservatives' large Commons majority beat back Liberal and CCF-New Party opposition when the bill came up for second reading—approval in principle.

The roll call vote was 153 to 42, with seven CCF-New Party members supporting the Liberals.

The legislation now goes to the committee of the whole house for detailed study before returning for third and final reading.

The Liberals earlier today were defeated in their bid to have the bill, which leaves the office of governor vacant, submitted to a standing committee of the Commons. Instead of the committee of the whole.

This would have enabled them to call witnesses including Coyne and Finance Minister Donald Fleming.—UPI.

TO SWIM  
CHANNEL  
UNDER  
WATER

London, July 4. An American is in Folkestone today making final plans to swim the Channel—under water.

Fred Badasure, former professional boxer, photographer's model and theatrical producer, plans to stay under the waves for 30 hours on a diet of glucose and chicken soup.

Fred has been in hard training since January, and said today that he was "confident."

The first-ever under water channel bid was made last year—by Fred's blonde wife, Jane.

She tried twice and the second time got 14 miles out before a storm ended the attempt.

The couple have since parted, so Fred is determined to show his wife that anything she can do he can do better.—AP.

## CHILDREN BURNED ALIVE

St. Louis, July 5. Three children burned to death when the farm tractor on which they were riding yesterday toppled over on a hill. Its petrol tank burst and covered them with flaming gasoline.

They were Tommy Ellis 11, and Connie Ellis 13, brother and sister, and Joan Galloway, about 10, of Old Monroe, Missouri.

The accident occurred on the farm of the Ellis children's stepfather, Robert Finley, in Lincoln County, Missouri. Sheriff Irl Elliott said authorities reconstructed this story:

The children, with the boy apparently driving, were riding on a farm tractor up a steep hill, pulling a load of grain.

But the tractor could not negotiate the hill with the load behind it, so they disconnected the wagon and proceeded on. They drove near a patch of woods and one wheel of the

tractor ran over a dead tree which, combined with the steepness of the hill, caused the tractor to turn over.

The Ellis children were pinned under the tractor and were burned to death. Joan, her clothing aflame, ran in an effort to get to safety but collapsed. She died shortly after arriving at a hospital.—AP.

## Kuwait barred from membership

IRAQ APPLIES VETO  
IN ARAB LEAGUE

Cairo, July 4.

Iraq has vetoed Kuwait's application for membership in the Arab League, a League source said tonight.

The Arab League Council met in secret session for an hour, and later the chairman, Mr. Abdel Khalik el Tereissi, of Morocco, announced that the Council would reconvene on July 12.

This would be after Mr. Abdel Khalik Hassouna, Secretary-General of the League, had returned from his mission to Iraq, Kuwait and Saudi Arabia, he added.

## A majority?

An Arab League source said that the Iraqi delegate, Mr. Abdul Hussein el Kotefi, vetoed Kuwait's application, claiming that the League charter requires a unanimous decision on membership applications.

The Saudi Arabian delegate, Mr. Mohamed Morshed el Zoghbi, argued that only a majority decision was necessary, the source added. Earlier today it was reported that the League Secretary-General had requested a postponement of the Council meeting on Kuwait until his mission had been completed.

Meanwhile, a force of 20,000 men—half British regulars and half Arab volunteers—were at the ready in Kuwait by dawn today to meet any Iraqi invasion move, according to reports flowing in from the threatened oil-rich sheikhdom.

## Sand &amp; heat

A further contingent of 200 men was reportedly due in from Nairobi, Kenya, during the day. The men, in transit camp, were to fly into Kuwait in a Comet of RAF Transport Command. A non-stop, Navy-supported airlift through the night had brought British ground strength up to 5,000, plus air and naval support.

At first light, Arab volunteers, their newly-issued rifles glinting, could be seen crouched among the sandhills around Multa Fort, last outpost along the road leading into Iraq. They appeared impervious to the heat and whirling sand which have been troubling British forces since they landed in Kuwait three days ago.

So far Britain has suffered one casualty—an officer who fell victim to chickenpox shortly after arrival.

## Warships

Meanwhile, reports reaching Britain from a variety of sources indicated that a great naval force was converging on the threatened sheikhdom from a number of far-flung bases.

British warships from Malta were expected to pass through the Suez Canal tomorrow on their way to the Persian Gulf. These were said to include four minesweepers and a maintenance ship. Further reports said the 20,000-ton aircraft carrier Contaur and "at least three destroyers" from Gibraltar would join the command carrier Bulwark which landed the first Britons on Kuwait.

A Foreign Office spokesman in London confirmed today that a certain number of British warships belonging to the Mediterranean Fleet would soon pass through the Suez Canal into the Red Sea.

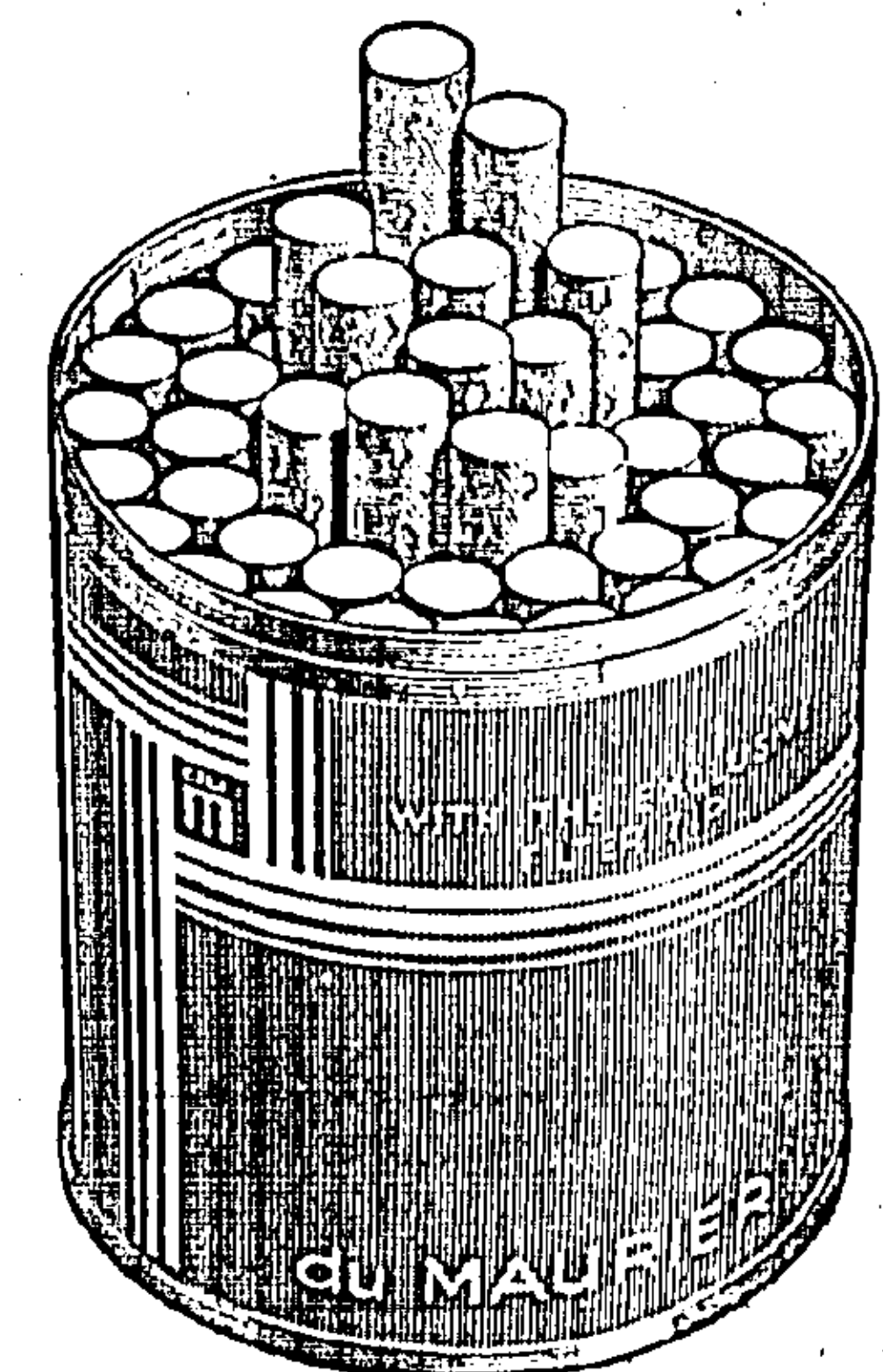
A SLIP OF  
THE MIND

Wichita, July 4. Everything was set for the flag-raising ceremony and 34-gun salute prior to today's Kansas centennial parade here.

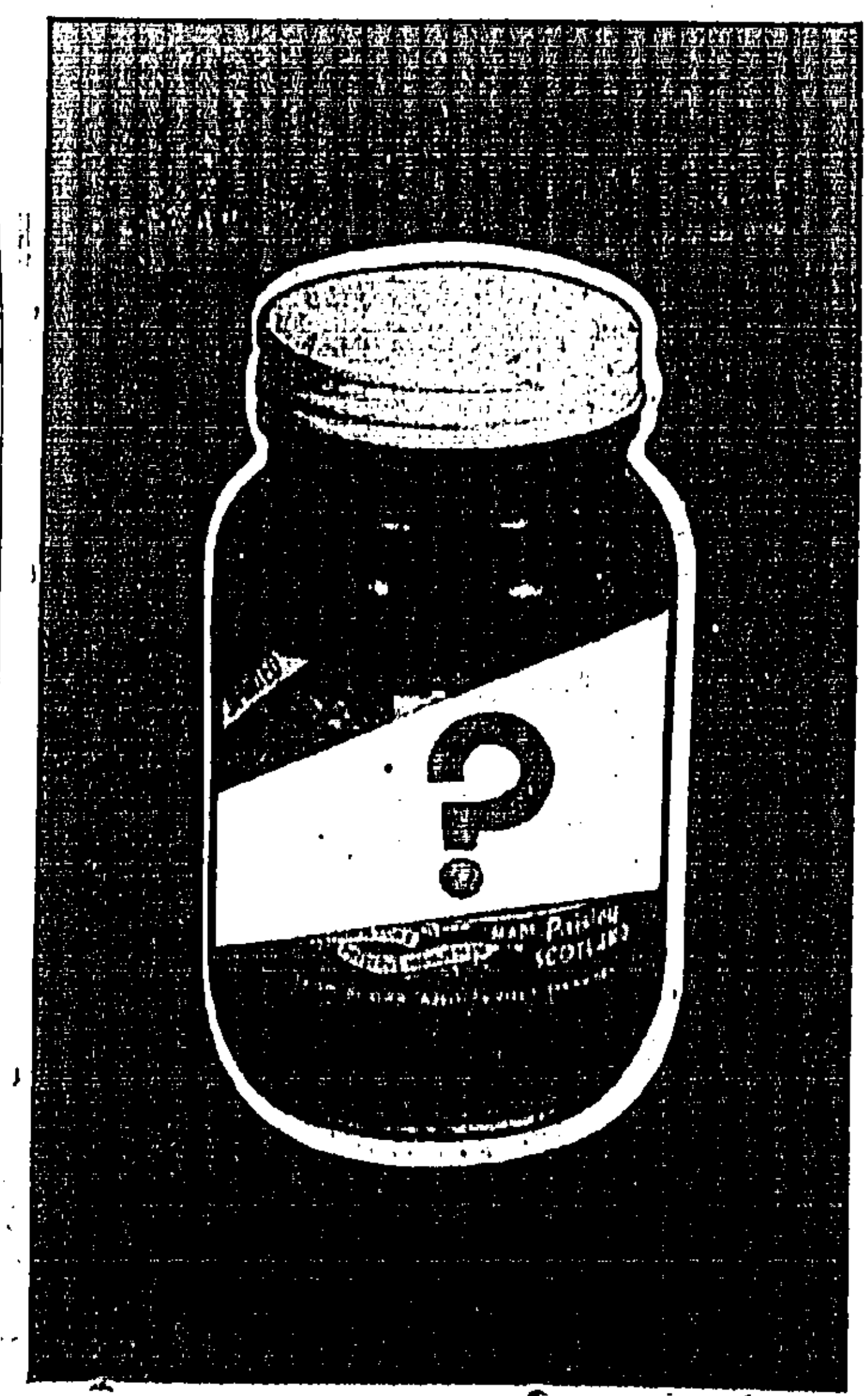
The dignitaries were present. Air Force personnel were ready with rifles in hand.

But one very important item was missing—the rope to raise the flag. The ceremony was cancelled.—AP.

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NEW HIGH IN  
U.S. HOLIDAY  
DEATHS  
PREDICTED

New York, July 4. The traffic death rate in America declined during the waning hours of the long Independence Day holiday, but the National Safety Council still predicted a record number of fatalities.

George C. Stewart, executive Vice-President of the Council, said:

"The fatality rate on Tuesday afternoon dropped from an average of between five and six every hour to approximately two to three per hour."

## COMMONSENSE

"It appears that drivers are beginning to get the message that great care and commonsense must be exercised when driving in holiday traffic."

The official added, however, that even at the reduced rate the death toll appeared likely to top 500 for a new all-time record for any summer holiday period.

The record number of motor vehicle fatalities during a fourth of July period was set in 1950. It was 491. That also is the high mark for any summer holiday.

The death toll: Traffic 450, boating 58, drowning 105, miscellaneous 128—total 800.—AP.

Search for  
aircraft

Colchester, July 4. Several ships and a lifeboat were searching tonight for an aircraft reported to have crashed into the sea off the Essex coast.

Coast Guard officials said the plane had come down about 20 miles from the coast, but added that they had not received any indication of its size.

Several ships in the vicinity were steaming towards the plane's position. A lifeboat had put to sea, and a Trinity House vessel had also joined the search.—Reuters.



## COMMODITY PRICES

## METALS

**LONDON**  
Closing prices, all in sterling per long ton:

	Buyers	Sellers
Tin spot	914	916
3-month	914	916
Copper spot	229 1/2	229 3/4
3-month	229 1/2	229 3/4
Lead spot	67 1/2	67 3/4
3-month	67 1/2	67 3/4
Zinc spot	78 1/2	78 3/4
3-month	78 1/2	78 3/4

## RUBBER

**SINGAPORE**  
Closing prices all in Straits cents per lb. f.o.b. Malayan ports:

	Buyers	Sellers
No. 1 July	83 1/2	83 3/4
No. 1 Aug	83 1/2	83 3/4
No. 2 July	82 1/2	82 3/4
No. 2 Aug	82 1/2	82 3/4
Spot rubber unheated	79 1/2	79 3/4
Blanket crepe	69 1/2	69 3/4
No. 1 pale crepe	61 1/2	61 3/4

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	Buyers	Sellers
No. 1 Rss spot	24 1/2	24 3/4
Settlement house term	24 1/2	24 3/4
July/Sept	24 1/2	24 3/4
Oct/Dec	24 1/2	24 3/4
Jan/Mar	24 1/2	24 3/4
Apr/Jun	24 1/2	24 3/4
July/Sept	24 1/2	24 3/4
General market, c.f.f. basis, ports	24 1/2	24 3/4
Aug. this July	24 1/2	24 3/4
Estimate crepe	27 1/2	27 3/4
Quick July	27 1/2	27 3/4

## COTTON

**LIVERPOOL**  
Closing prices all in pence per lb.:

	Buyers	Sellers
American Contract	24 1/2	24 3/4
July 23/25; Oct 24/26; Dec 24/26	24 1/2	24 3/4
Mixed Contract	24 1/2	24 3/4
July 24; Oct 24/26; Dec 24/26	24 1/2	24 3/4
May 25/26; Sept 25/26	24 1/2	24 3/4

## FOREIGN EXCHANGE

**LONDON**  
Closing rates:

	Rate
New York	2.70 1/2-2.70 3/4
Amsterdam	2.80 1/2-2.80 3/4
Brussels	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4
Copenhagen	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4
Frankfurt	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4
Geneva	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4
Paris	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4
Stockholm	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4
Milan	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4
Zurich	10.01 1/2-10.01 3/4

## UK tin ore imports

**London, July 4.**  
Imports of tin ore into Britain in May were 6,573 tons and the total imports for the first five months of the year 20,486 tons, against 21,899 tons in the comparable period one year ago.

Metal Bulletin said today that in May imports from Bolivia jumped to 5,212 tons against only 842 tons in the previous month.

Imports of unwrought tin were 190 tons in May against 31 tons in April. The total for the first five months of 1961 was 763 tons.

Tin exports from Britain were 504 tons in May and for the five months the total was 2,959 tons compared with exports of 4,455 tons for a similar period last year.—UPI.

## Sales of U.S. rubber

**Washington, July 4.**  
June sales of crude natural rubber from the U.S. national stockpile totalled 708 tons, the General Services Administration announced today.

Sales in May were 2,153 tons, long tons had been sold since sales started on October 16, 1959. About 351,883 long tons remained for sale at the end of June.

The announcement said the latter figure included approximately 202,604 tons of 1 Rss, 44,756 tons of 2 Rss, 75,185 tons of 3 Rss and 28,336 tons of pale crepe.—China Mail Special.

## London stocks continue to decline

**London, July 4.**  
Stocks today continued yesterday's slide. Steels led the retreat. Colvilles Giant dropped 3/6 to 59/- on news it plans to raise £15 million through a rights issue. The June loss to the gold reserve of £47 million deepened the depression and kept buyers to the sidelines.

Industrial equities declined along a broad front and the top rankers joined the procession, including Unilever, Courtauld, Woolworth, British-American Tobacco, Tube Investments, Glaxo and British Motor Corp. Plus signs were a rarity in the industrial list as trading volume slumped. Properties, utilities and insurance equities were also down. Gilt-edged stayed firm most of the day but a late selling bout saved up to £1/16th from many bonds. In the foreign bond sector, Greeks were a weak spot with falls up to £1. Japanese Assestment slumped. South African gold mines continued to drift to lower levels and coppers gave ground on continental selling. Tins were mixed. Oils lost early firmness and ended around overnight levels but Anglo-Egyptian "B" notched a fraction on European buying. A handful of leading rubber stocks improved but less were quiet.—UPI.

**Closing prices**  
British Government Securities  
2 1/2% Consolidated—230 1/2  
3% Conversion—231 1/2  
3% Savings 1952/55—231 1/2  
3% Savings 1955/58—231 1/2  
3% Savings 1958/61—231 1/2  
5% German (Domestic)—231 1/2  
5% Japanese (Assestment)—231 1/2  
Bancote and Insurance  
Barclays—231 1/2  
Chartered Bank—231 1/2  
Guarantee Assurance—231 1/2  
Hongkong Bank—231 1/2  
Lloyds Bank—231 1/2  
London Assurance—231 1/2  
Prudential Assurance—231 1/2  
Royal Bank of Canada—231 1/2  
Royal Insurance—231 1/2  
British Petroleum—231 1/2  
Shell Transport—231 1/2  
Royal Dutch—231 1/2  
Ulster Bank—231 1/2  
Steel Engineering  
Babcock & Wilcox—231 1/2  
Dorman Long—231 1/2  
Harland & Wolff—231 1/2  
Stewarts & Lloyds—231 1/2  
Summers & Sons—231 1/2  
Tulse Investments—231 1/2  
Vickers—231 1/2  
Associated Electrical Industries—231 1/2  
Brit. Electronic Ind.—231 1/2  
Elec. & Mus. Industries—231 1/2  
English Electric—231 1/2  
General Electric—231 1/2  
Philips Lamp Works—231 1/2  
Rediffusion—231 1/2

## U.S. markets closed

All U.S. markets were closed yesterday because of the Independence Day holiday.

## HONGKONG STOCK EXCHANGE

Business done on the Hongkong Stock Exchange morning amounted to approximately \$3,340,000. Noon quotations and the morning's transactions:

Shares	Buyers	Sellers	Sales
HSK Bank	410	418	220 @ 410
E. Asia	240	50 1/2	100 @ 410
Wharf	422	400	100 @ 410
Wing Lok	1430	1430	100 @ 410
HSK Bank	111	112	100 @ 410
Tat Lee	73 1/2	75	100 @ 410
HSK Bank	34 1/2	35	100 @ 410
HSK Bank	47 1/2	47 1/2	100 @ 410
HSK Bank	73 1/2	74	100 @ 410
HSK Bank	2725	2725	100 @ 410
HSK Bank	2375	2375	100 @ 410
HSK Bank	43	43 1/2	100 @ 410
K.M.B.	80 1/2	80 1/2	100 @ 410
Yau Ma Tei	134	135	100 @ 410
Ch. Light	37 1/2	38	100 @ 410
Electric	38 1/2	38 1/2	100 @ 410
Telephone	57	57 1/2	100 @ 410
HSK Gas	22.80	23	100 @ 410
Gilmair	5 1/2	5.30	100 @ 410
Jardines	29.40	29.60	100 @ 410
Cement	67	67 1/2	100 @ 410
Dairy	40 1/2	41	100 @ 410
Watson	51	51 1/2	100 @ 410
Textile	7.65	7.70	100 @ 410
Nanyang	12.60	12.60	100 @ 410
A. Rubber	0.30	0.40	100 @ 410
City Hotel	7.80	7.80	100 @ 410
Star Ferry	230	240	100 @ 410
Lane, Craw.	52	100 @ 410	100 @ 410
Rope	30	500 @ 410	100 @ 410

## Business efficiency exhibition

**London, July 4.**  
The 49th National Business Efficiency Exhibition, which opens in London on October 3, promises to be the most outstanding display of its kind yet staged in the United Kingdom.

Assembled under one roof at the same time will be a comprehensive array of the latest equipment designed for coping with office routine.

Participating in this 200,000 square feet exhibition will be 154 firms representing in all the major proportion of an industry, which exports to three quarters of the countries of the world.

One firm who last year introduced a "drive-up" bank window counter, will be showing a "walk-up" bank window counter, which is described as a possible answer to the problems of the customer with a small cheque to cash, who has to wait while other customers transact more lengthy business.

The window counters which are supplied as single units are made of stainless steel and bullet-resistant window glass. A specially designed two-way communication system, by means of two microphones provides for clear conversation between teller and customer.

The window counter can be fitted with a television camera, so that if a signature needs verifying all the teller has to do is hold it to the camera and a picture of the cheque immediately appears on a screen in the required department, where it can be easily checked.

Another new system is based on continuous stationery for all types of high speed electrically operated writing machines. These multi-copy continuous forms are recommended for multi-copy sets of four parts and upwards and can be used at speed.—LPS.

## UNIT TRUSTS

First Hongkong Fund: \$1.33 (buyer) \$1.42 (seller).  
Second Hongkong Fund: \$1.01 (buyer) \$1.07 (seller).

## Malayan tin exports rise

**Singapore, July 4.**  
Malayan tin exports last month rose eight per cent from 6,916 tons in May to 7,443 tons and were the highest since December last year, according to official trade statistics.

Tin exports in the first six months of this year increased by 23 per cent from 32,506 tons in the corresponding period of last year to 40,076. Shipments to the European continent rose from 1,637 tons to 1,963 tons.

Statistics by Straits Trading Company, a leading tin brokerage here, confirmed a recent heavy Japanese buying in the Malayan market, her off-take being 1,031 tons last month against 634 tons in May.—UPI.

## Agreed merchant rates

Canadian dollars, maximum selling 17-7/8, minimum buying 16-1/8 TT; 10-3/10 OD.  
Swiss francs, maximum selling 74-1/8.

## Exchange rates

Business was done in the local money market this morning at the following rates:  
U.S. dollar (per \$1) ..... 5.012  
Sterling (per £1) ..... 10.012  
Australian notes (per £1) ..... 12.74  
Indian rupee (per 100) ..... 26.10  
Siam baht (per 100) ..... 26.10  
Singapore (Straits) ..... 1.01



## U.S. imports of foreign cars at low level

**Washington, July 4.**  
U.S. imports of new passenger automobiles in the first half of 1961 were at a low level due largely to the successful competition of the new U.S. compact models with the European and Japanese low-priced small cars.

Experience in 1961 indicated that the new "compact" (middle sized) cars are here to stay. This year the compacts will represent about 35 per cent of the United States passenger automobile production.

These developments point to more, rather than less, competition for foreign cars in the U.S. market and foreign manufacturers are likely to make a new appraisal of their marketing potential after mid-year. A better outlook will depend on an increase in the general prosperity of the United States in the second half of the year.

Although further United States business recovery is widely expected, no one is yet predicting a "boom." In May, U.S. companies assembled 540,000 passenger cars, but this was still 10 per cent less than in May 1960.

The latest official statistics on United States passenger car imports are as follows:  
In January-March 1961 total imports numbered 65,709 cars valued at \$73,501,000 compared with 177,177 cars valued at \$198,950,000 in the first quarter of 1960.

In April 1961, imports were slightly below any of the previous three months. They totaled 21,370 cars valued at \$22,738,000 compared with 54,521 cars valued at \$52,232,000 in April 1960.

Over two-thirds of the passenger car imports by the US in the early months of 1961 were from West Germany alone. Imports from West Germany in the first quarter were 54,116 cars valued at \$56,018,000 compared with 55,243 cars valued at \$63,588,000 in the first quarter of 1960. In April 1961, imports from West Germany were 10,451 cars valued at \$10,992,000 against 10,194 cars valued at \$10,008,000 in April 1960.

The sustained volume of imports from West Germany is attributed to the fact that its most popular make is relatively low-priced among cars of its general category and has good sales and servicing facilities. It would face steeper competition if American manufacturers should undertake to produce cars smaller than the compact models of 1961.

U.S. imports of passenger automobiles from Sweden in the first quarter of 1961 were 2,900 cars valued at \$3,797,661 compared with 7,534 cars valued at \$9,571,083 in the first quarter of 1960. In April 1961 they were 1,111 cars valued at \$1,016,300 against 2,927 cars valued at \$3,702,569 in April 1960.

U.S. imports of passenger cars from France in the first quarter of 1961 numbered 4,091 valued at \$4,070,940 compared with 44,871 cars valued at \$35,701,177 in the first quarter of 1960. In April 1961 they were 2,837 cars valued at \$2,825,591 against 13,055 valued at \$10,738,000 in April 1960.

U.S. imports from Italy in the first quarter of 1961 were 545 cars valued at \$540,301 compared with 774 cars valued at \$702,405 in the first quarter of 1960. In April 1961 they were 110 cars valued at \$120,810 against 182 valued at \$202,084 in April 1960.

Imports from a few other small suppliers, as Canada and Czechoslovakia, have also reflected the general downward trend this year.

Statistics not yet available were not expected to show any striking increase of imports in May and June.—UPI.

## Lufthansa carries carrier pigeons

One of Denmark's national hobbies is the raising and racing of carrier pigeons. Not confined to the Danish Kingdom itself, this year the Amsterdam/Copenhagen carrier pigeon race attracted an entry of no less than 5,000 pigeons from Denmark. As each owner only enters one contestant pigeon, this meant that 5,000 owners from Copenhagen each had his favorite bird in the race. To get these pigeons to their starting point in Amsterdam, the 5,000 owners chartered five Lufthansa planes to carry 500 cages containing their 5,000 entries.

This cloud of pigeons took off without mishap for their long flight from Amsterdam closely followed by the public took the radio. The winning pigeon arrived proudly in her loft in Copenhagen, having covered the distance at an average speed of 1,600 metres per minute.

## Wage rise claim

Santiago de Chile, July 4. The President of the Copper Workers Confederation, Mr. Manuel Ovalle, said he had asked the Labour Minister, Mr. Hugo Galvez, to intervene in connection with the workers' claims for readjustments of three per cent and 10 per cent respectively on 1959 and 1958 wages. He claimed that these readjustments were due to the workers under a Labour Court ruling.

Mr. Ovalle said the Minister would meet Anaconda and Braden representatives on July 5 to exchange views on the El Salvador and Potosi workers' demands and other problems pending in the copper industry.—China Mail Special.

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KHRUSHCHEV

## Attends American Independence Day party KHRUSHCHEV HAS A GAY TIME

Moscow, July 4. Premier Khrushchev paid his first visit to Moscow's American Embassy in three years today to salute America's Independence Day.

His wife Nina and a platoon of Kremlin officials, stayed for 90 minutes and appeared to enjoy every minute of it.

He stayed until the party broke up at 8 pm (local time), exchanging political chit-chat with U.S. Ambassador

Llewellyn Thompson and to his wife, who left it on a table, undrunk.

The Soviet Premier at one point chuckled at Vice Premier Anastas Mikoyan and said, "Mikoyan does all the drinking." Khrushchev, Mikoyan, Defense Minister Rodion Malinovsky, Vice Premier Alexei Kosy-

gin and five Marshals were among the 500 Russians who jammed the embassy for today's Fourth of July party.

Not even in the golden days of the Franklin D. Roosevelt era in Soviet-American relations had so many Russians come to the American Embassy.—UPI.

## MACMILLAN ON ARMS TO PORTUGAL

Meant for Nato purposes, he tells Opposition

London, July 4. Mr Harold Macmillan, Prime Minister, told the House of Commons today he did not think any formal conditions about the use of military equipment exported from Britain to Portugal were 'necessary or appropriate.'

He was answering questions by two Labour Members, Mr Stan Aveyary and Mr Fenner Brockway, who wanted to know if he would make it a condition that when arms were supplied to Portugal under Nato arrangements they would not be used in Portuguese overseas territories.

Mr Macmillan replied: "In considering application for the export of arms to Portugal, we should have regard to the nature and quantity of the equipment in relation to her reasonable requirements as a Nato ally."

"This has been explained to the Portuguese Government and I do not think that formal conditions about the use of any military equipment that may be exported are necessary or appropriate."

Mr Aveyary asked why the Prime Minister was "blind to the grave indignation" being felt in this country that Britain should be supplying arms to Portugal, either direct or through Nato, which were being used to "crush the people of Angola."

He added: "Will you stop this trade immediately and indicate to the Portuguese Government our disgust and

our disapproval at what is being done?"

Mr Macmillan: "The position as I said to the House, some days ago, is that no licences for export of arms or ammunition are in fact being made for export to Angola or Mozambique."

"That does not affect certain large deliveries of equipment which are only suitable to Portugal in her place as a Nato ally."

### NATO NEEDS

Mr Hugh Gaitskell, Leader of the Opposition, asked what was the point of an embargo on exports of arms to Angola when arms could go freely to Portugal and be sent on to Angola.

Mr Macmillan said he thought it quite possible to operate this policy effectively.

It was right to continue to sell certain arms to Portugal for Nato purposes. The British Government deeply regretted the situation which had developed in Angola, but he did not think that to try to cut off Portugal from the membership of the Nato alliance at this time would help.

## ADVENTUROUS MPs RUN OUT OF FOOD

Nicosia, July 4. Six British servicemen trying to sail a home-made raft from Cyprus to Turkey have run short of food, according to unconfirmed press reports here.

The party — all of No 6 Dog Company of the Military Police — set out last Tuesday from north-west Cyprus.

They said they had three weeks' rations with them but would try to "live off the sea."

Since then the raft has drifted along the northern coast of Cyprus. — China Mail Special.

## U.S. climbing attempt fails

Rawalpindi, July 4. An attempt by a five-man United States expedition to climb 20,000-foot Mount Plaju in the Karakoram Range of Kashmir and Tibet has failed, according to reports reaching here today.

The expedition is now attempting to climb Mount Dabani, a 20,000-foot peak in the Gilgit Range.—Reuters.

## 'TSHOMBE WAS NOT A FREE AGENT THEN'

## Katanga-Congo pact is now rejected

Elisabethville, July 4. The Lower House of the Katanga Parliament today rejected an 11-point agreement signed by President Moise Tshombe, of Katanga, and the Congolese Central Government in Leopoldville, on the grounds the President was not a free agent at the time.

The agreement was signed on June 24, a few hours before President Tshombe was released from two months' detention. The President of the Chamber of Representatives told deputies at a special session today that the President signed "to gain his liberty."

The Deputies were discussing a report by a foreign affairs commission which unanimously rejected the agreement signed in Leopoldville.

Many deputies are out of the capital touring the country with President Tshombe and his ministers.

The Leopoldville agreement laid down that the Congo and Katanga would have the same monetary system, abolish customs posts on their common frontiers, and have the same diplomatic representation abroad. It also provided for a national Congolese parliament to be convened in Leopoldville "as soon as possible" under the guarantee of the United Nations.

### Signed

The agreement was signed by President Tshombe and his Foreign Minister Mr Evariste Kimba, and by the Congolese Vice-Premier, Mr Jean Boll-Kango, and the Foreign Minister, Mr Justin Bomboko.

The Foreign Affairs Commission said that according to the Katanga constitution, President Tshombe had no power to sign any agreement on behalf of the state "as it was materially impossible for him to fulfil his functions" during his detention.

The Commission quoted an article, which became law on May 11, setting up a college of three ministers to assume the President's functions during his absence from the country.

### Criticised

One deputy severely criticised the Leopoldville Government which he claimed was "just a nothing." He pointed out that President Joseph Kasavubu had not signed the agreement but only certain "so-called ministers" who had never been before parliament to have their nominations ratified.

The Speaker of the Assembly, Mr Mut-Wa-Dilumba, told the deputies President Tshombe signed "only to get his freedom." All 22 deputies present agreed on rejecting the agreement. Earlier they had voted by 18-4 to first discuss the agreement point by point.

Point 10 of the rejected agreement provided for discussion of a military agreement between the Leopoldville and Katanga authorities by military leaders of the two sides.—Reuters.

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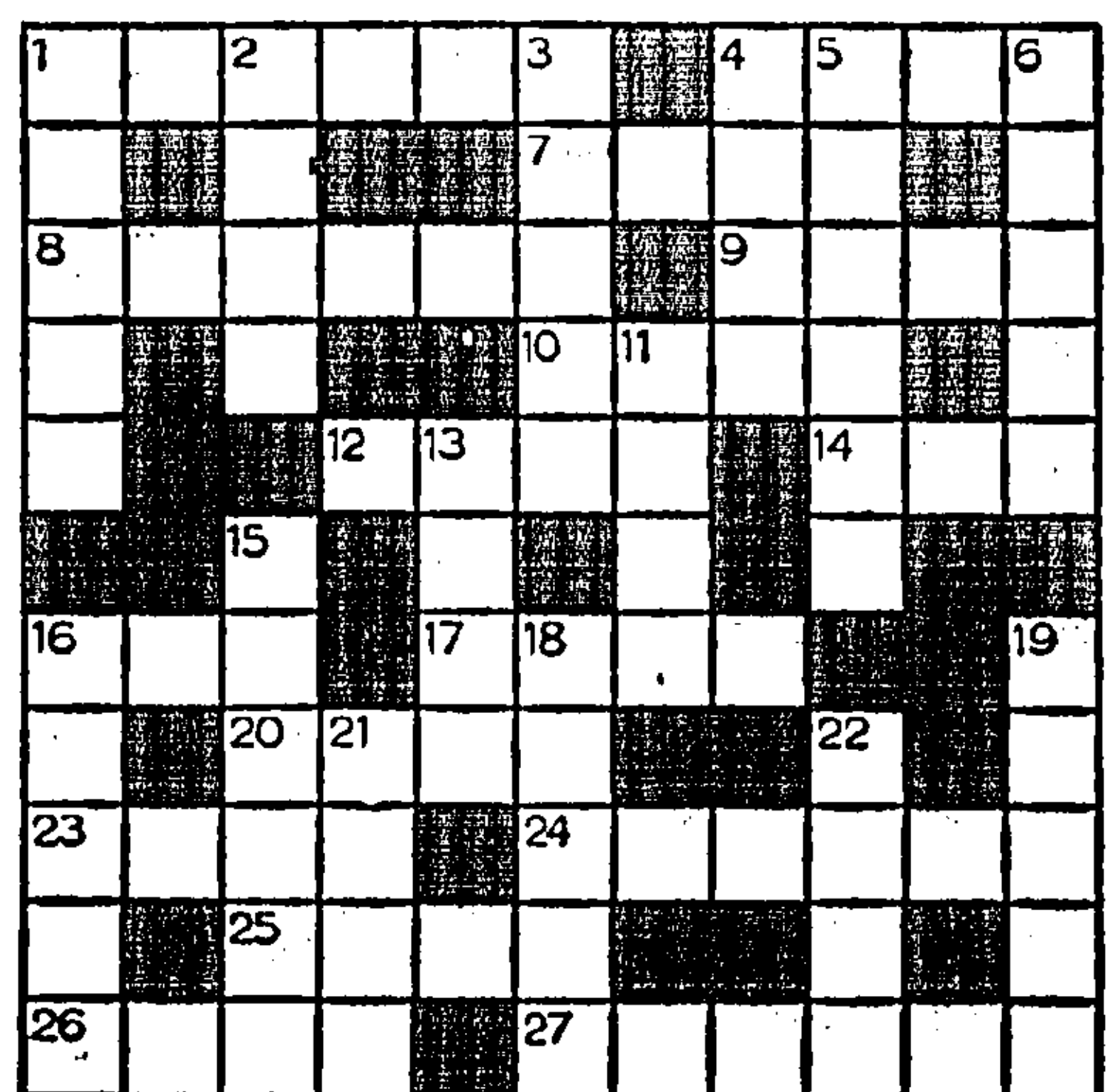
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## Who stole Betsy's flag?

Philadelphia, July 4. Someone stole the flag from Betsy Ross' grave on Tuesday.

The 50-star, 5 by 8 foot cotton flag that flies continuously over the grave of the woman regarded as the maker of the first American flag over 185 years ago, was reported missing by caretaker George Wersdler at Mt Moriah cemetery. It was replaced by a new flag of similar design.—AP.

## A British Crossword Puzzle



### ACROSS

- 1 Glamour girls.
- 4 Soaks.
- 7 And fear?
- 8 Prone.
- 9 Sound like Leo.
- 10 Catch.
- 12 Confederate.
- 14 It's often beaten.
- 16 Hill.
- 17 To boot.
- 20 Dead queen.
- 23 And dine?
- 24 Heavenly drink.
- 25 Jack?
- 26 Leave it!
- 27 Transgressed.

### DOWN

- 1 Western band.
- 2 Drinks.
- 3 A lot? That's fine!
- 4 Caution.
- 5 Easy away.
- 6 Twig.
- 11 Yes, yes!
- 13 Incline.
- 15 Cap.
- 16 Built-up areas.
- 18 Gives for a time.
- 19 Exposed.
- 21 Pure and tidy.
- 22 Daze.

**YESTERDAY'S CROSSWORD.**—Across: 1 Brat, 4 Hacks, 7 Bat, 9 Canada, 11 Path, 12 Tot, 13 Ricotta, 15 Fingers, 16 Tag, 19 Once, 20 Appetit, 23 Rio, 24 Trees, 25 Tears. Down: 1 Back to front, 2 Ten, 3 Sad, 5 Chart, 6 Schoolgirls, 8 Taxi, 10 Not, 13 Rue, 14 SOS, 16 Niche, 17 Rear, 19 Tie, 21 Pit, 22 Poe.

## SENTENCED TO DEATH FOR SLAYING HIS STEP-FATHER

London, July 4. George Anthony Porritt, 27, was sentenced to death here today for the murder of his step-father, Albert Leonard Porritt, 48.

Porritt, a car dealer, had told the court that he fired the revolver that killed his step-father because the latter was being held by two men, one of whom had a knife at his throat while someone called out: "Cut his head off."

The prosecution, opening the case last Thursday, alleged that Porritt accidentally hit his

step-father during a fight with a group of men who called at his house in the early hours of May 15.

Six rounds were fired and two of the men were shot in the arm.

Defending counsel told the jury today that "if they thought his story might be true, he is entitled to be acquitted on this charge of capital murder, whatever consequences may follow from his wild-cat behaviour — with which you are not concerned."

The jury took 90 minutes to find Porritt guilty of capital murder, and added a strong recommendation for mercy.

Passing the death sentence, which is mandatory in capital murder cases, the Judge said he would pass on the recommendation to the proper authority.—China Mail Special.

## U.S. Marine Captain to be tried

Quantico, July 4. Marine Corps officials announced today that Capt. Ernest C. Braco, 29, will be tried by General Court Martial here in Virginia on Thursday on charges of desertion.

Braco was acquitted by a Federal Court in Baltimore on June 19 of intentionally crashing a P-28 trainer aircraft. The crash occurred in January near Cambridge, Maryland. Braco, father of three children, bailed out of the plane and disappeared after the crash.

He went to Baltimore and stayed in a hotel for more than a week before giving himself up to Federal authorities.

Officials said the marine officer will be tried on charges of desertion and for "concealing his whereabouts" from proper authorities after his aircraft had crashed, thereby causing an unnecessary and wasteful search.

Braco is a native of Italy, Arizona. His wife and three sons live in nearby Dumfries, Virginia.—UPI.

## GENERAL CONVICTED

Paris, July 4. General Gustavo Mentre has been given a suspended five-year prison sentence for his role in the April 22 revolt of the generals in Algeria.

Gen. Mentre was the first general convicted of supporting the military putsch not to be stripped of his rank.—AP.

## FLASH FLOOD

Lacuna, July 4. A flash flood following torrential rains killed six persons and left 60 families homeless in this tiny Andalusian village in southern Spain, it was reported today. Reports said many more persons are missing and feared dead.—UPI.



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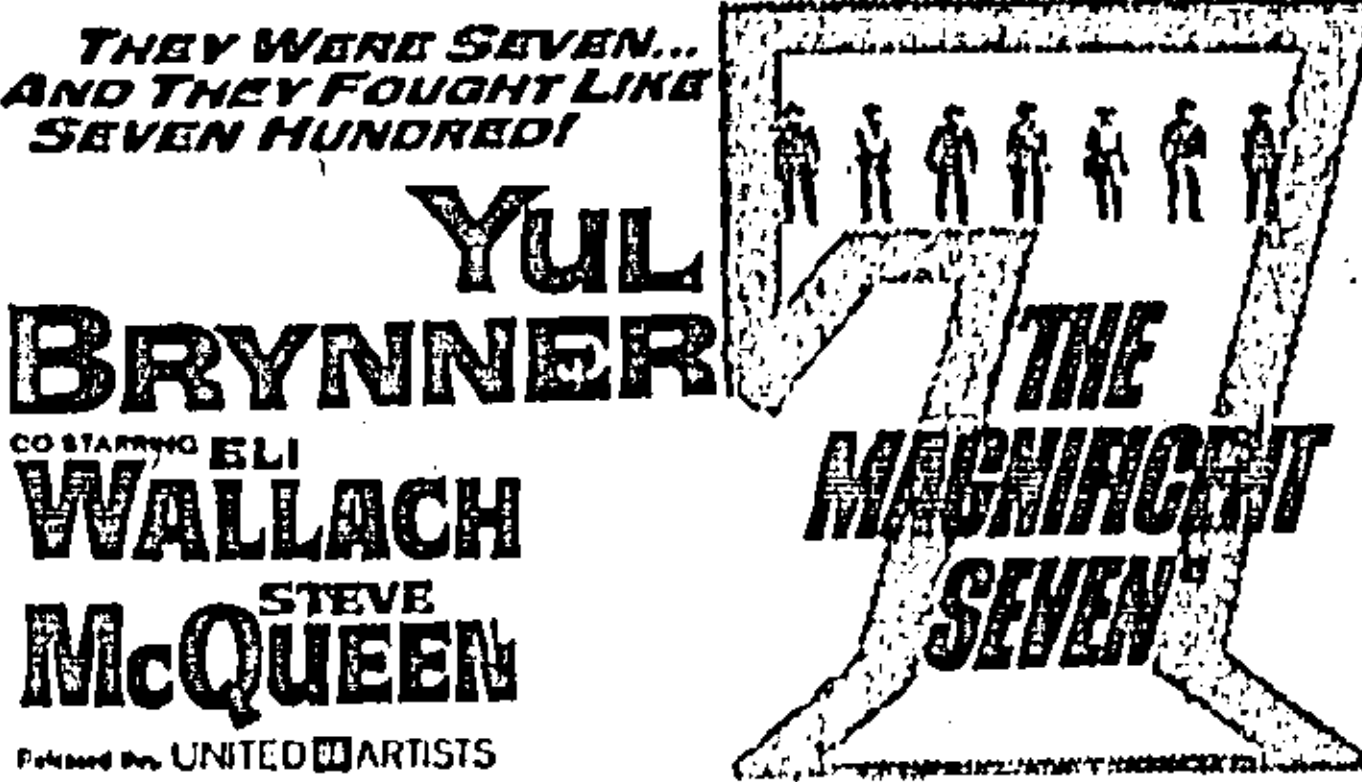






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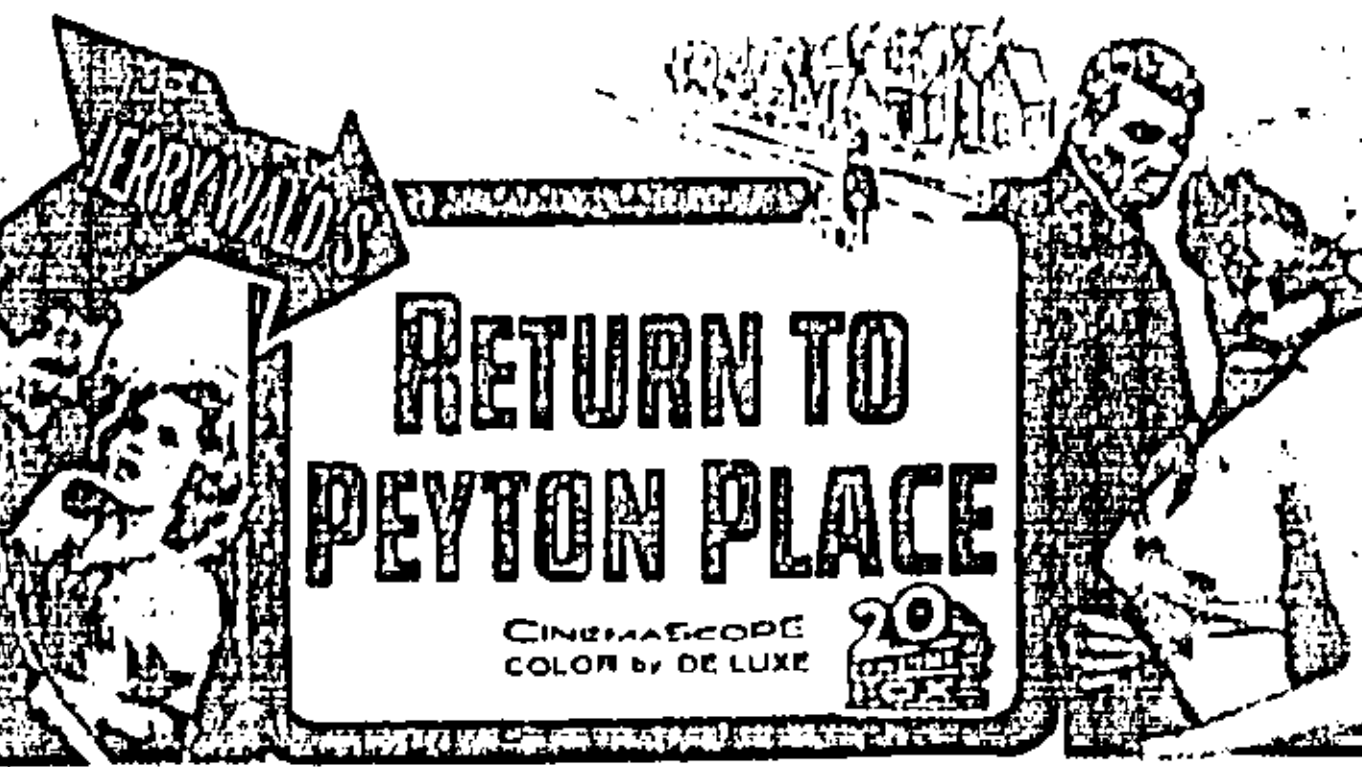
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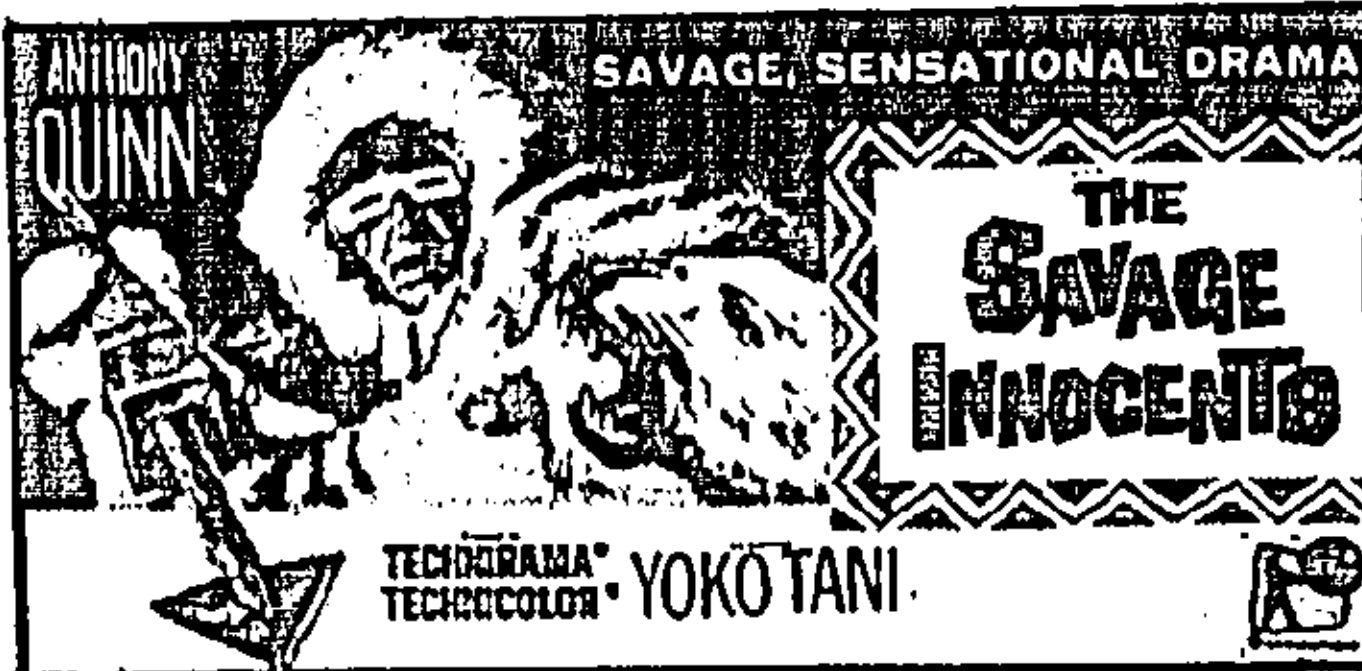
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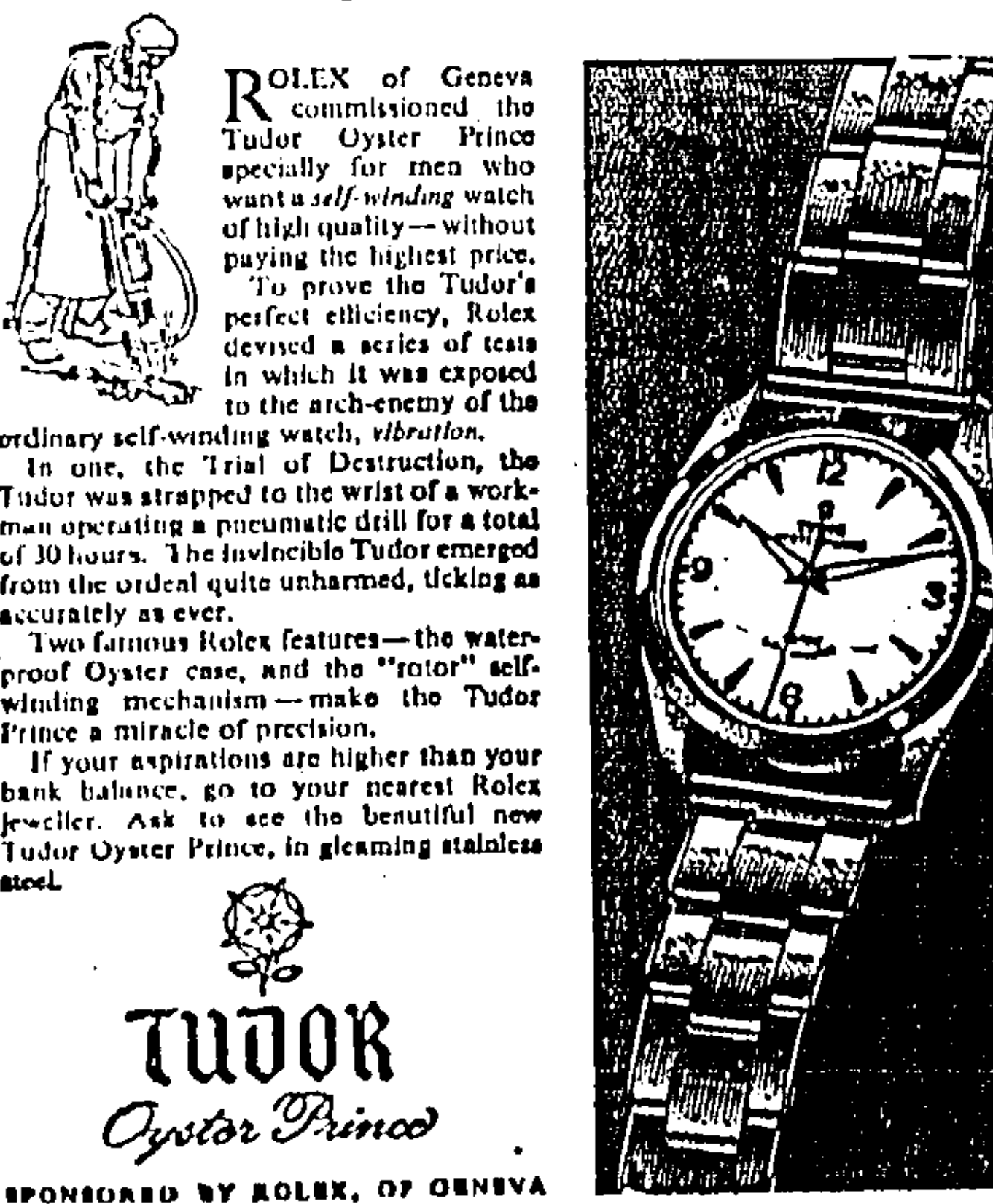
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## Negro pianist beaten to death

Los Angeles, July 4. Detectives theorized today that Rupert Branker, 26, Los Angeles pianist with the Plattens quintet, was beaten to death early yesterday in a robbery attempt.

Roger Moore, a resident in the University of Southern California area, told officers he heard screams and found Branker dying on his porch. Branker had been struck on the right temple.

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Detective Sgt Nick Elser said Branker, a Negro, had taken a girl home a half hour before and his locked car was found two blocks from the slaying scene, which is eight blocks from the girl's home and about four miles from Branker's home.

Elser said Branker may have not been one, or intended to, and then was taken up by his assailant. The investigator said it was believed Branker was carrying \$20 or \$30 but no money was found on his body. His watch and ring, however, were untouched.—AP.

## There's life in the old girl yet

Southampton, July 4. The 81,000-ton liner Queen Mary docked on Tuesday after proving that there is life in the old girl yet—she made her fastest postwar crossing from New York to Cherbourg.

The liner completed the 3,200-mile run in 4 days 10 hours 12 minutes, an average speed of 20.08 knots. In her fastest crossing in 1938 the Queen Mary averaged 31.09 knots.

The record for the Atlantic crossing is held by the American liner United States, which in 1952 covered the distance from New York to Southampton in 3 days 10 hours 40 minutes, an average of 35.9 knots.—AP.

## London may change to silver buses

London, July 4. London's double-decker buses may change their colour from red to silver.

The London transport authorities announced today that they are to run a new experimental "all silver" bus with an unpainted aluminium body through the central area to see how it stands up to hard daily service, how it looks in traffic and how the public like it.

A notice on the bus—called "The White Lady"—will ask the public to send in their comments.

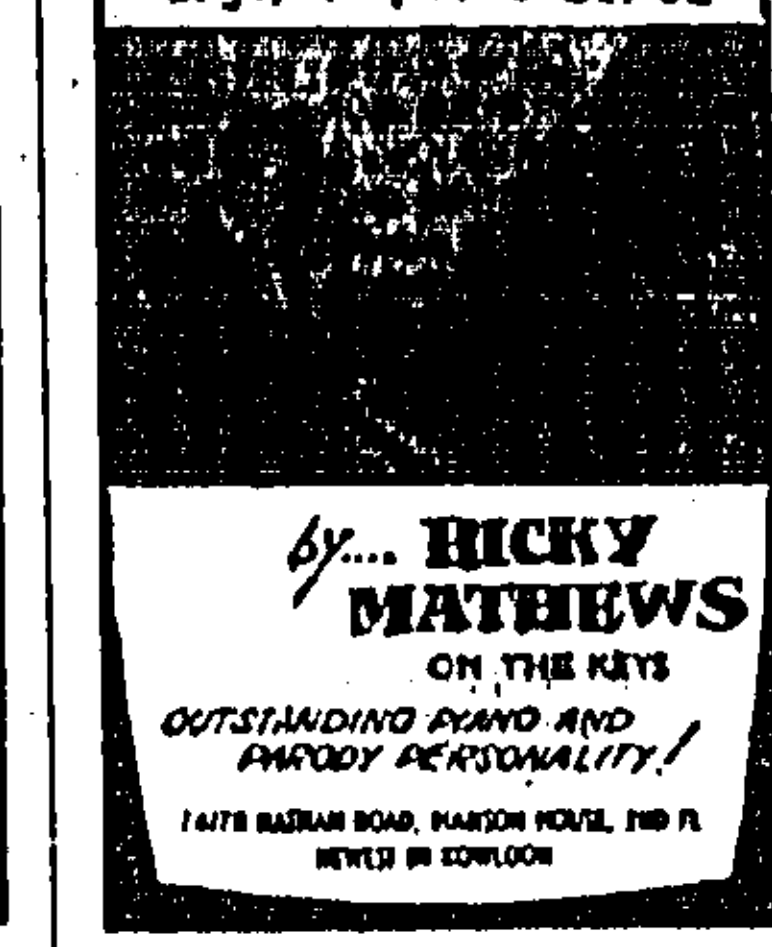
"We expect it will cause some controversy," a transport official said.—China Mail Special.

## Ape dies in London Zoo

London, July 4. Mr. Jiggs, a 16-year-old Orang-Outang from Borneo, died yesterday in the London Zoo.

A post-mortem will be held. Zoo officials said the 308-pound Mr. Jiggs had trouble breathing over the weekend and oxygen was used in a vain attempt to save his life.

He had been in the zoo since he was three and played with the keepers regularly until about five years ago when he became full-grown.—China Mail Special.



## Italian film wins Berlin prize; Finch best actor

Berlin, July 4.

Italy today captured the top prize at the 11th Berlin Film Festival.

"La Notte" (The Night) was awarded the "Golden Bear" for the best feature film. It was directed by Michelangelo Antonioni and starred Marcello Mastroianni, Jeanne Moreau and Bernhard Wicki.

Wicki, a Swiss, also captured the "Silver Bear" for the best direction for his new German film "Das Wunder Des Malchus" (The Miracle Of Malchus). It is a story of a modern miracle and how it is caused by commercial interests.

Wicki, who achieved fame with his German film "The Bridge," worked until the last minute completing his film for the festival and was in bed recovering from exhaustion when the award was announced.

**BRITISH FILM**  
Australian Peter Finch won the "Silver Bear" for the best actor for his performance in the British film "No Love For Johnnie," the story of an ambitious Labourite Member of Parliament who sacrifices his love life for his career.

Danish-born Anna Karenina, aged 29, took the "Silver Bear" for the best actress.

Her French husband, Jean-Luc Godard, directed the film, "Une Femme Est Une Femme" (A Woman Is A Woman) in which she played the prize-winning lead.—AP.

## Nasution in London

London, July 4. General Abdul Haris Nasution, Indonesian Chief of Staff and Minister of National Security today called on Lord Home, British Foreign Secretary.—Reuter.

## Chance meeting of the 'dead' sisters

Two sisters who each believed the other to have died in an air raid 16 years ago met by chance when they took a day trip to the Sussex coast near Chichester on the same day.

## U.S. showgirl's suicide in PI

Manila, July 5. Susan Stephens, 19-year-old American showgirl, committed suicide tonight by taking a heavy dose of sleeping tablets, police said.

Her body was found 11 pm in a room at a Manila hotel by a room boy. She registered in the hotel on June 14.

A suicide note found by police said "Send my money to 1624 Walnut St Alameda, California."

Described as a girl with million dollar legs, Susan performed at Manila Grand Opera House from June 18 to July 3 when her contract expired. She arrived in Manila on June 14.—AP.

## Marilyn Monroe improving

New York, July 4. Actress Marilyn Monroe, who underwent surgery last Thursday for a gall bladder condition, was reported today at Poly-clinic Hospital to be showing continued improvement and to be "more cheerful," according to a hospital spokesman.

The spokesman said the type of surgery Miss Monroe underwent usually requires at least two weeks in hospital.

## Dr Ramsey on power to appoint Church officials

London, July 4. The new Archbishop of Canterbury today said the Church of England should review the monarch's power to appoint top churchmen.

Dr Michael Ramsey, enthroned only last week as Primate of the English Church as Queen Elizabeth's choice, told a cheering audience of ministers, "There is now, undoubtedly, a desire within the Church for a new examination of this question."

Observers said the Archbishop's action reflected restlessness among the ministers about the throne's choice of bishops and other top Church officials. Queen Elizabeth, as head of the Church, now appoints the top officials.

## STUDY GROUP

Dr Ramsey said the Church already has a group studying the appointments of bishops. He said he wants the study expanded to include the appointment of Deans and other officials, and also wants the study group given more power and prestige.

The Archbishop's selection by Queen Elizabeth caused little, if any, comment in church circles. But criticism was heard when the monarch bypassed the Provost of Guildford, the Rev. Walter Boulton, in naming a churchman to the new post of Dean of the recently established Guildford Cathedral.

Many Churchmen said Boulton, who did much to erect the Cathedral, should have received the deanship.

A Church House official said after Dr Ramsey spoke, "The effect of the Archbishop's remarks is that a commission will be set up."

Final plans for the commission were expected to be approved by the Church assembly in the autumn.—UPI.

## Appointment for Sir Christopher

London, July 4. Sir Christopher Chancellor, 57, who resigned as Chairman of Odhams Press Limited on June 16, was today elected to the Board of The Observer Limited.

The Observer is an influential Sunday newspaper with a circulation of about 150,000. From 1914 until 1959 when he joined Odhams, Sir Christopher was General Manager of Reuters Limited.

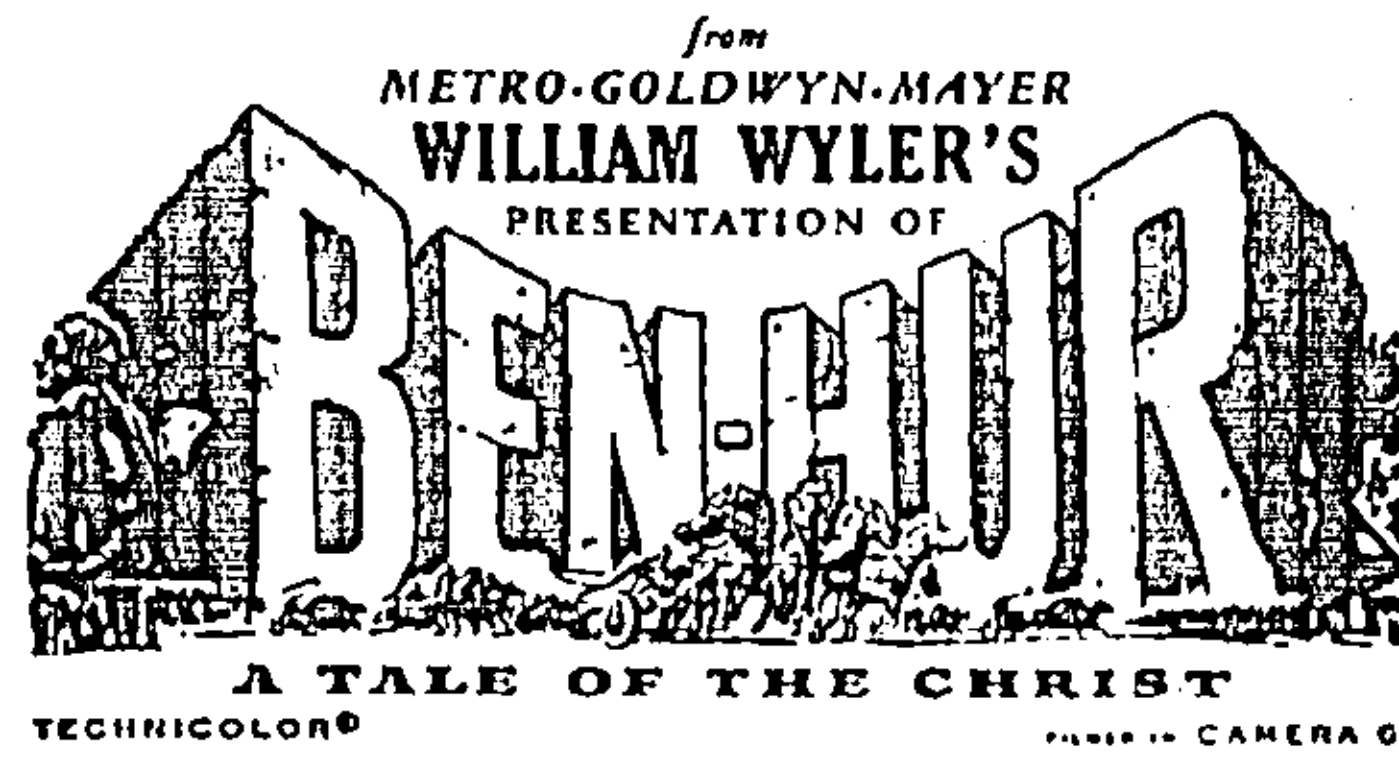
On June 22 it was announced that he had been elected a director, and appointed Chairman, of Madame Tussauds Limited, which operates the 159-year-old London Waxworks and a planetarium nearby.—China Mail Special.



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## BRITAIN'S WHOLE ECONOMY DEPENDS ON A FRIENDLY SHEIK

"TWO cars out of every three in Britain run on Kuwait oil," a petrol man told me the other day. And that sums up the importance of this tiny sheikdom of Kuwait—it is two-thirds the size of Wales—at the top of the Persian Gulf. The world's latest trouble-spot.

President Kassem, the dictator of Iraq, has renewed his country's claim to the oil-soaked sheikdom.

A rich prize to claim, Kuwait, producing a rising 32,000,000 tons of oil a year, is the world's largest single oil producer, and the oil is controlled half by the British Petroleum Company, half by the Gulf Oil Corporation of America.

The tiny State is headed by his Highness sheik Saib Al-Sabah, a benign ruler as Persian Gulf chiefs go. He has reason to be benign. As Head of the State and head of the ruling Saib family he collects about £2 a ton on Kuwait oil.

His revenue, rising every year, is now around £150 million a year—about £3,000,000 a week—of which a million a week is his.

Not even Solomon in all his glory had more riches than the sheik.

of languid soldiers droop over their rifles in an ante-room.

Explain your business, and you are casually ushered into the presence of his Highness, sitting at a big desk, a few minor sheiks sitting around drinking coffee or camel's milk. (Away from those keen brown eyes, they may turn to stronger drinks, but here in the palace the letter of the Islamic law is followed: no alcohol.)

The visitor has, for some odd reason, run short of ready cash? That's all right—anytime, can draw £40 from the Kuwait petty cash. What's money here, where any hole in the 6,000 square miles of sand can send another fortune gushing up?

The sheik is still uneasy with such wealth. His youth was spent as generations of his ancestors spent their days. His diet was dates and camel's milk. His clothes—home-spun, his pastimes—fishing from a dhow, hunting with falcons, reading the law of Islam, and Arab poetry.

The colossal Kuwait revenue brings problems for Britain too—for the surplus cash is invested via London; upwards of £300 million.

Withdrawal of Kuwait's balances in London would be an immense strain on Britain's economic position.

The loss of Kuwait oil would wreck Britain's trading position. For it would have to be replaced largely by dollar oil from America and Venezuela, playing havoc with Britain's already tender balance of payments.

And clearly it would mean petrol rationing in Britain.

The sheik has always been conscious of the take-over threat

by **FREDERICK ELLIS**



KUWAIT: OUT OF THE DESERT, A FORTUNE...

from Iraq. And taken precautions. Kuwait is short of fresh water. Neighbouring Iraq has offered to pipe water in. But the able sheik has spent some of his oil millions on plant to convert sea water into fresh water. For a water deal with Iraq would leave Kuwait at Iraq's mercy. And Kuwait's wealth is the envy of both Nasser's United Arab Republic and Kassem's Iraq.

Unlike other neighbouring oil States, the Kuwait rulers have spread the oil riches among their 200,000 people.

So modern

Millions have been spent on education, housing, roads, hospitals, and the rebuilding of the old Kuwait city into the most modern in the Middle East.

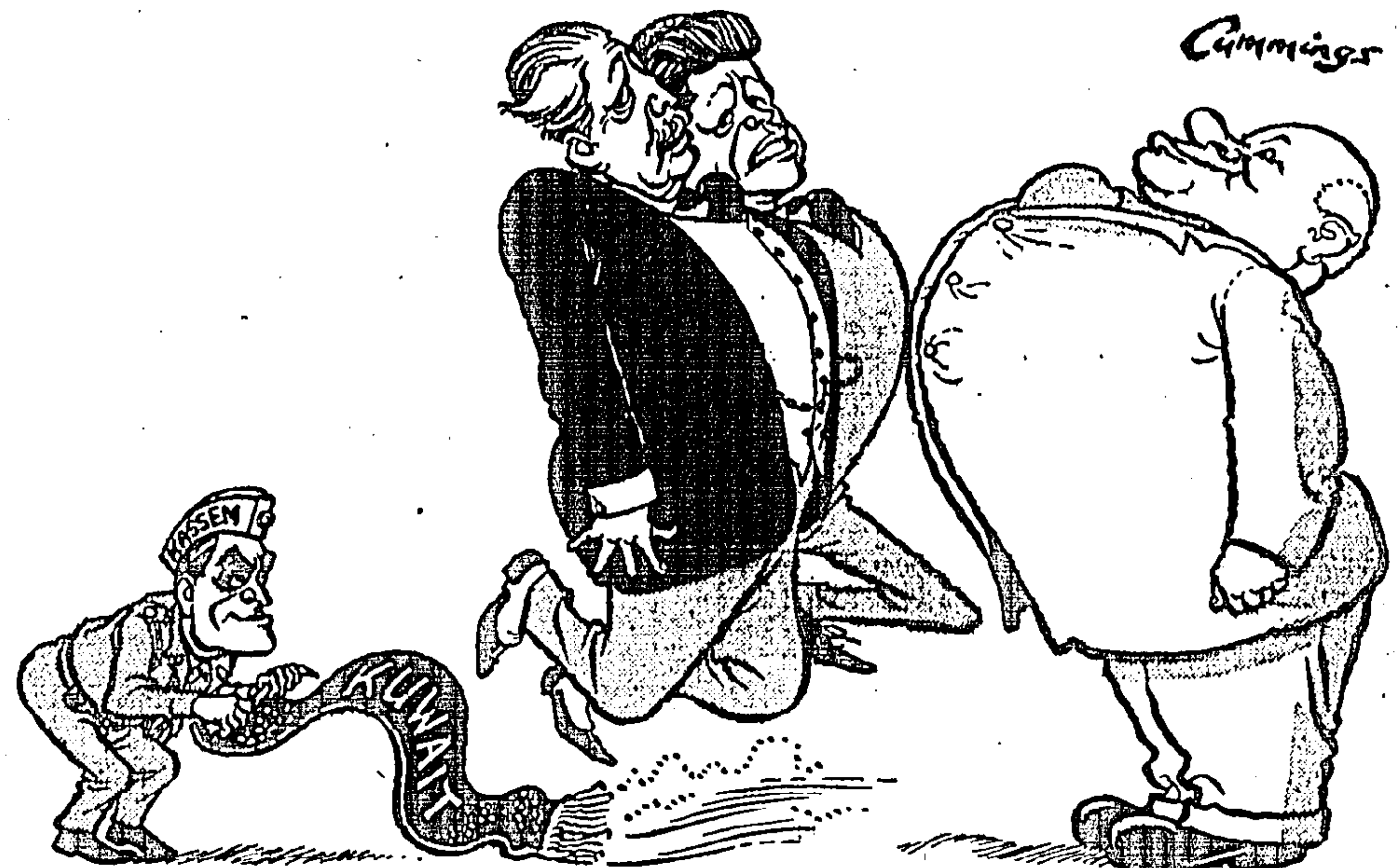
To protect all this, the sheik has a strong army behind him. An army where privates are paid £200 a month.

He is desperate to remain neutral in the turmoil of Middle East politics. But he would ultimately be forced to back Britain if the cards were put on the table.

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# THE WORST HIKE OF MY LIFE—ON THE HEELS OF

By **HILLARY**  
**Robert Moore**

Hukse Village, Himalayas. It was ten minutes to seven on Thursday morning, and my guest, Sir Edmund Hillary, had just finished his breakfast—four fried eggs, countless slices of bread, and four cans of beer.

Perhaps I should say that before joining me for breakfast he had got up at 4.30 a.m. and marched nine miles.

Remember how Hillary suffered a mild stroke 20,000 ft. up on Mount Makulu on May 7?

He was given oxygen; he could not speak for three days, and afterwards his doctors insisted that he should climb no more peaks. His mountaineering days were over, they decided.

How pessimistic that diagnosis seemed, as I watched him taking 4ft.-long strides towards me over the mountain path!

Since he left the high peaks near the Tibetan border he had covered what is reckoned here as an 18-day march. But Hillary did it in 11 days.

And when I met him on the narrow path outside this 6,000ft.-high village, he looked as fresh as a man starting out for a stroll on the Sussex downs.

'Not bad'

The night before I had sent him a note by sherpa runner, so he knew I had just made the three-day march up from Katmandu.

Now he looked at what was left of my 14st. His huge hand crushed mine and he grinned as he said: "Good on you. Not a bad walk for a fat man. How d'you feel?"

Truthfully I answered: "Ten times worse than you look." I asked to what extent his illness would interfere with his future plans. He said: "Not at all. Don't worry about that 14,000ft. limit my doctors set. I'll soon get that removed when I see them."

Shock

Hillary, however, has received a deeper shock than he will admit to anyone. He is no longer interested in climbing high peaks just for the sake of doing so.

Did he want to come back to the Himalayas?

He scratched at his tangled beard, looked through the ill-fitting wooden slats of the barn towards the snow-capped peaks, and slowly and with some emotion said: "Yes, I would like to come back. I have a great affection for the sherpas."

"Everyone who has ever been on an expedition to the Himalayas has reason to be eternally grateful to them. No expedition can even get started, let alone succeed, without them."

Before leaving for his home-ward trek Hillary's last job was to open a school he paid for and helped to build with his own

hands, for sherpas. The first in the Himalayas.

"We have got to do something for these people. I hope I have started something which the Nepal Government with other countries and other expeditions will try to develop."

"Politically it is also very important, because just across the border the Chinese are going ahead with plans for development and are almost certainly spreading the propaganda across the border."

This was also Hillary the politician talking. Several constituencies have sought his nomination, but he says he is not interested in politics.

What about the rumour that he might become a diplomat? He was slightly evasive—"I suppose everybody would like to join the Diplomatic Corps."

Now, after only 50 minutes' rest, Hillary was eager to be moving again.

While I had been typing he had been outside chattering with the villagers, and he insisted on moving on to Benapa, more than a day's march.

A sherpa runner took this cable to the telegraph office in Katmandu. And I attempted the ridiculous task of keeping up with Hillary.

Later a second cable reached the Daily Express from Reporter Moore. It was dated—

BENAPA. Well, I did not make it. I kept up with him on the three-

POCKET CARTOON by OSBERT LANCASTER

"Quite frankly, when Mr. Khrushchev gets into uniform and President Kennedy shows aside his crutches, I'm just plain scared!"

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The sheik is still uneasy with such wealth. His youth was spent as generations of his ancestors spent their days. His diet was dates and camel's milk. His clothes—home-spun,

## Mini-cabs? The taxi-driver just shrugs...

By **Vivien Batchelor**

After all there is now plenty of transport in London I thought. Recently a "David" fleet of 200 mini-cabs has been added to the "Goliath" of 5,000 taxis (The Yard's latest available figure).

I asked the assistant if she would phone for a mini-cab (like most people I have a yen for the smaller man in a light).

Cramping my hat on my head I waited. The number was busy. We tried three times more—every time someone was busy ordering a mini-cab before me.

So I weighed in with Goliath and took an ordinary taxi off the near-by rank. A mini-cab flashed past with two customers in the back.

"I tried to get one of those. They were busy," I said to the cheroot-smoking driver. "If I may say so I'd much rather talk about your hat. It's a beauty," he said.

And talk about it and hats in general, including his wife's, he did. He dismissed the mini-cabs with a shrug.

Hot words

So in spite of all the hot words (and we are led to believe hot blood) between the cabbies and the mini-drivers, a hat called at least a temporary truce.

And it brought home to me that it seems both sides are doing good business. Another taxi-driver who took me from Festival Hall to Fleet-street said:

"They don't make any difference to us really. The public don't want to wait to

phone for a cab if they are in a hurry. I've not found my earnings are down at all.

"But it is most unfair that their drivers don't have to pass the same tests in fitness, driving and knowledge of London as we do."

On the whole I find the public welcomes the mini-cabs.

A famous hairdresser said to me: "What makes the taxi-drivers feel they are a privileged class, that they should have no opposition just because they have passed a test which they believe makes them a better driver than anyone else?"

"I live near King's-road, Chelsea, and in the mornings I

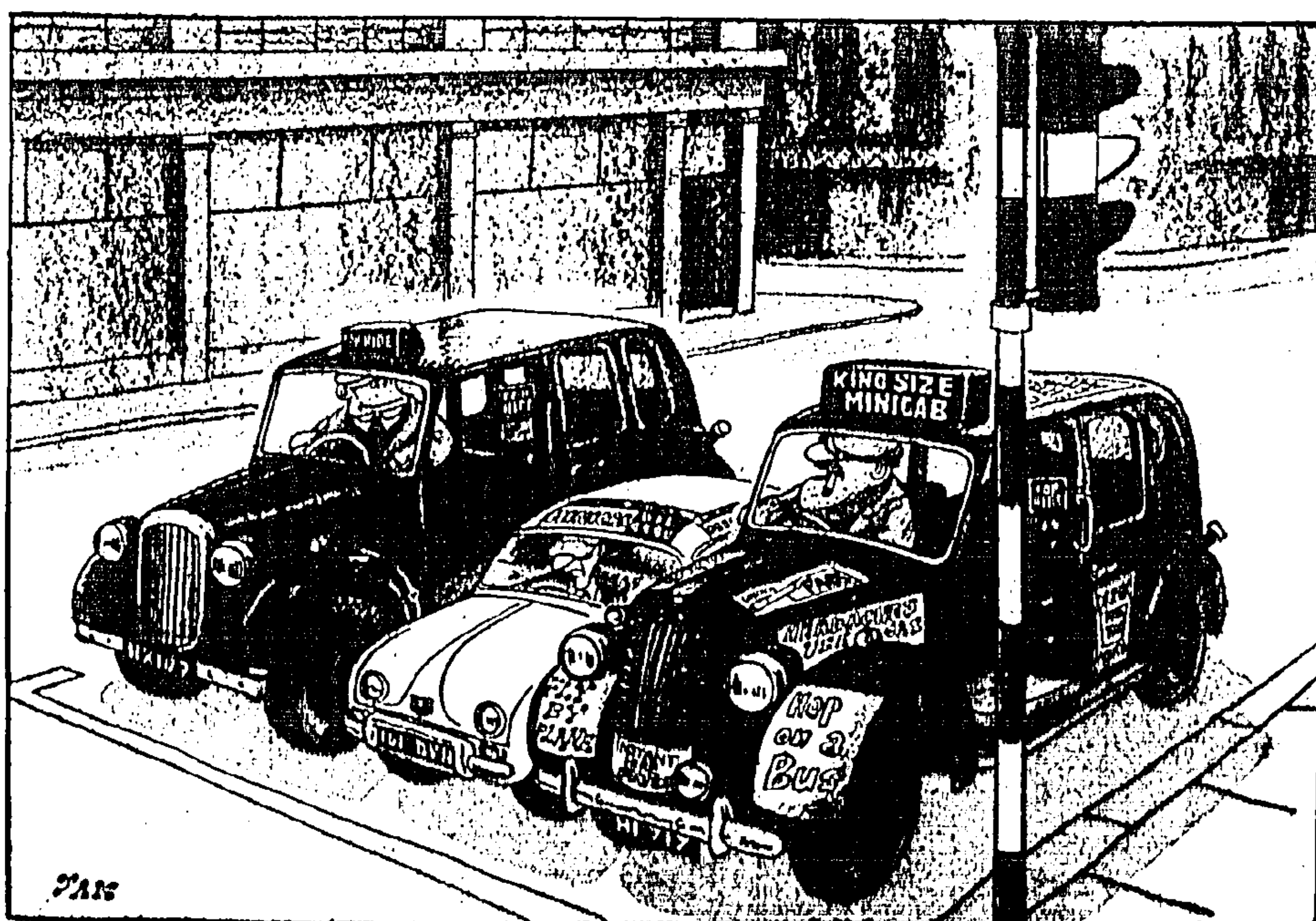
often walk the whole length of it before I find one who will turn round to pick me up even though they are passing 'free' on the other side of the road."

"Unlike any other business-man taxi-drivers do not have to build up their business through goodwill and regular clients. It is time the taxi-drivers were taught to behave like business men and respect their passengers."

According to headquarters at Welbeck mini-cabs their clients are beginning to take on a pattern.

"We are finding more and more people are ringing us for the longer journeys and not the five minute runs which is what we hoped would happen. The short journeys are the legitimate trade of the cabbie."

"TAXI!"... BY JAK



"SO I SAID TO MYSELF, 'SID, IF YOU CAN'T BEAT 'EM—JOIN 'EM'"

London Express Service.

THE WORLD OF SCIENCE BY PETER FAIRLEY

## When the weather is low, so are we

Do sun-spots cause crashes? WHY do disastrous accidents appear to run in batches? Are pilots more accident-prone during periods when spots appear on the face of the sun? Just what effect does weather have on drivers?

Scientists are now looking seriously into such questions. For more and more it seems that not only do we feel low when the weather is bad—we are low. Our efficiency goes down.

A commission to study the link between weather and morale has been set up in Germany, composed of physicists and meteorologists. Its preliminary report suggests that when the weather is changeable, a person's nervous tension mounts.

HUMIDITY

A recent survey of accidents on the Hungarian State Railways produced evidence that the mishap-rate jumped on humid days. Humidity, the doctors suggested, scrapping on the bottom of the

might also be an important factor in causing motorway accidents. It may make reactions slow and sluggish.

Now Swedish Air Force doctors are trying to find some tie-up between the bunching of air accidents and changes in the atmosphere during sunspot cycles. Exactly how events 93 million miles on the surface of that scorching ball could affect a pilot's concentration is still a mystery—but it now seems possible.

Roads of asphalt are being laid underwater around the coast of Holland. They are forming a firm base for fresh defences against the age-old enemy of the Dutch—the sea.

The hot mastic is poured into a huge, enclosed chute which trails behind the laying barge, scraping on the bottom of the sea-bed. The asphalt solidifies in causing motorway accidents. It may make reactions slow and sluggish.

—(London Express Service).



# WOMANSENSE

## JACOBY on BRIDGE

WHAT does third hand do when his partner's opening bid is doubled for take out?

The accepted best practice is that he should bid if he has anything worth showing and that any bid except a redouble should not be taken as a strength-showing bid.

Today's hand is a good example of the advantage such a bid can give the bidder. It

NORTH 20	
AKQ854	
Q4	
AQ8	
A76	
WEST (D) EAST	
A3	82
AK9753	1062
97	KJ1042
J102	54
SOUTH	
AQJ107	
J8	
83	
KQ953	
Both vulnerable	
(See article for bidding)	
Opening lead—♥K	

was the deciding hand in an important team match some years ago.

At both tables West opened with one heart and North doubled. One East passed, the other bid two diamonds. Both South players bid two spades and both North players raised to four.

Both Wests cashed their two top hearts and then looked around for the proper lead to the third trick.

It was no problem for the man whose partner had bid two diamonds. He put the nine of diamonds on the table and South had to lose a diamond trick in addition to the ace of trumps and was down one.

The other West had a problem and went wrong. He led the jack of clubs.

This gave South a chance to draw trumps and get rid of North's two losing diamonds on his long clubs.

## RECARD'S

Q—The bidding has been:  
West North East South  
1♣ Double 1NT  
Pass 3♥ Pass 7?

You, South, hold:  
AK4♥A87♦J765♣10974

What do you do?  
A—Bid four hearts. You still only have eight high card points, but they all appear to be very valuable in support of hearts.

## TODAY'S QUESTION

Again the bidding has gone:  
one club, double, one spade. This time you hold:  
AKJ4♥87♦Q1065♣KJ87

What do you do?

Answer tomorrow

## LADY LUCK

YOUR CHINA MAIL HOROSCOPE

WEDNESDAY, JULY 5

**AQUARIUS** (January 21-February 19): The chance of an unusual bargain will enliven a routine shopping tour today.

**PISCES** (February 20-March 20): Nostalgic memories will be evoked by meeting someone who has just visited your favourite holiday resort.

**ARIES** (March 21-April 19): Try not to lose your sense of humour when dealing with a colleague who is given to playing practical jokes.

**TAURUS** (April 20-May 20): A telegram may precipitate an action which you had planned to take at a later date.

**GEMINI** (May 21-June 21): Good fortune will soon come to you and you will rejoice in being able to share it with the person who helped you from the start.

**CANCER** (June 22-July 21): In spite of repeated efforts, you will never be able to reach a close understanding with a person born under Capricorn.

**LEO** (July 22-August 21): Your susceptibility to flattery could be used by an unscrupulous person to gain an advantage over you.

**VIRGO** (August 22-September 22): Keep a stiff upper lip with your partner from becoming more serious by making an attempt to laugh it off.

**LIBRA** (September 23-October 22): Be satisfied with a small return on an investment, and you may

save yourself a substantial loss later on.

**SCORPIO** (October 23-November 21): Approach a summons to a superior calmly in the knowledge that you have always tried to do your best.

**SAGITTARIUS** (November 22-December 21): You will receive some very reassuring news concerning the health of a close relative.

**CAPRICORN** (December 22-January 20): Stop being too modest about your achievements. There is no special virtue in concealing your merits.

**YOUR LUCKY CARD:** If today is your birthday, your lucky card, no matter what game you may be playing, ought to be the ACE of HEARTS.

## Rupert and the Rugger Match—2



Uncle Bruno lifts Rupert up. "I'm taking a half day off to see my favourite Rugger club play its last game of the season," he says. "Would you like to come too?" "Co, yes, please," says Rupert eagerly. "I've no idea what a Rugger match is like. Do you

think that Mummy and Daddy will let me go?" "At the Bears' cottage permission is soon granted, and Uncle Bruno prepares to leave. "If your papa would care to come you may ask them," he says. So Rupert dashes back to tell Algy and Bill his news.

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## THAT C-O-O-L LOOK

### According to the glossy magazine girls



That cool look, cool as a lemon-soda, with a pale face, pink lips. The make-up is by Coty.

## Critical cook...

### Apple custard pie

2 cups sieved applesauce, 1 tablespoon butter, 3 egg yolks well beaten, grated rind and juice of 1 lemon and 1 cup sugar. Add the butter to the applesauce. If the applesauce is not warm the butter must be melted. Combine the other ingredients. Turn into a baked pastry shell and bake in a moderate oven for about 45 minutes. Serve cold with whipped cream.

### Crumb spice pie

1 cup of wholewheat breadcrumbs, 2 cups hot milk, 1/3rd cup brown sugar, 2 eggs, well beaten, 2 tablespoons molasses, 1/4 teaspoon ginger, 1/4 teaspoon allspice, 1 1/2 teaspoon of clove, nutmeg and cinnamon and 1/2 teaspoon salt. Soak the breadcrumbs in the hot milk for five minutes and add the other ingredients. Turn into a partially baked pie crust and bake in a moderate oven until the filling is firm.

London. HOW is it that when most of us rush around most of the day, looking hot and bothered, finishing up with streaky make-up and virtually no lipstick, the model girls manage to maintain that cool, collected look?

I don't see why the girls in the glossy magazines should have everything to themselves. So I have been quizzing them on their own beauty secrets, to find out what lies behind that cool look. This is what I found:

Choose the right foundation that's the first important stage in any make-up routine. If your skin is dry you must use a creamy powder base that spreads evenly over the skin, gives it good coverage and prevents it from flaking. If your skin is greasy you can pick a tinted foundation lotion which is slightly drying, has longer staying power.

Choose the right colouring for your complexion. Here the girls on the beauty counters can help you. A too-dark foundation will go into ugly orange streaks, and give you an unwashed look. A too-pale powder base will make you look as though you are wearing a mask. Before you buy, find out whether you have pink or olive

skin tones, that is very important. Girls with pink and white complexions should stick to powders with a pink base, girls with olive-skinned faces should choose beige instead. The colour of your powder is not so important, provided the basic foundation colour is right.

Choose the right powder for the right occasion. At the beginning of the day when you apply your make-up to last, you should always use loose powder, pressing it well into your skin. Don't cling to an old-fashioned powder puff which quickly becomes grimy. Take a fresh piece of cotton wool instead. For quick touch-ups during the day, use a pressed powder which is easy to

by  
Jane  
Rogers



That cool look, achieved in 'Scoubidou' a short all-purpose hairstyle created for Richard Hudnut.

★ ★ ★

Choose the right lipstick, one that will suit you. Several cosmetic manufacturers, including Revlon, make indestructible lipsticks that will last practically the whole day through. But the stay-put lipstick is also a drying one and if you suffer from cracked lips you should choose a greasier lipstick—Lancome make an excellent range—and top it with a colourless sealer that will help it to stay put.

In a nutshell: If you start the day with a carefully-applied make-up you'll look cool the whole day through, with the minimum of touch-ups. But if you feel you need to give your face a quick spring-clean, look out for a new liquid refresher called 'Sponge Sparkle' which has its own

sponge, and will clean and refresh your face ready for new make-up. For those grey days when inexplicable shadows and hollows appear around your eyes, and you feel ten years older as a result, comes a new illusion make-up.

Called Superglow, it contains a right-reflecting substance called lumium which makes hollows disappear. An optical illusion certainly—but it works!

### Mink oil

Are you tired of using a thick, sticky lotion for setting your hair? If that is

the case then you will welcome a new, completely clear liquid, made to a modern formula which has, so the makers say, a 'temporary plastifying action'. Called Style Set, it will be going into the shops soon.

Mink oil makes news this month. First it appeared as an ordinary all-purpose cream, now it turns up in an even more luxury pack—selling at a luxury price too. Call Millionaire, this new beauty cream comes, appropriately enough, in a jar with a gold top. So the woman who is tired of mink coats can have mink oil on her face now, too.

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

### Ting-a-Ling's Garden

—It's All The Way At The Bottom Of The Lake—

By MAX TRELL

LOOKING down into the Blue China Plate, far, far, down Knarf and Hanid, the Shadow

was waiting for them in the boat. He was wearing a blue-coloured bathing suit that made him look like a fish. "Greetings, my dear friends!" he said. "I welcome you to my smiling lake. Will you come swimming? The water is warm and clear. I will show you my garden."

### Fish-like bathing suits

Ting-a-Ling gave them both bathing suits like his own except that Hanid's was red like a Gold Fish and Knarf's was silvery like a Dace, which is another kind of fish.

As they were rowing along the edge of the lake to the far end, Knarf and Hanid asked Ting-a-Ling what he meant by saying that he would show them his garden.

"I thought your garden was behind your house on top of the hill," Ting-a-Ling said. "It is," nodded Ting-a-Ling. He kept rowing, "That's my on-the-hill-by-my-house garden. I have another one down here."

He pointed down into the water.

"In the lake!" Knarf and Hanid both exclaimed.

Ting-a-Ling smiled and nodded.

Knarf gazed down into the water, trying as hard as he could to see a garden.

"We haven't come to it yet," said Ting-a-Ling.

Ting-a-Ling rowed on some more, smiling all the while.

It was a lovely sunny day. Here and there little fluffy clouds floated across the sky. A flock of swallows played tag among the clouds and the treetops.

And then finally Ting-a-Ling said: "It's here!"

He laid the oars carefully inside the boat.

### Underwater garden

Knarf and Hanid both gazed down into the water. It wasn't very deep. They could make out patches and clumps of leaves and stems. There were white sandy paths and mossy rocks and here and there a white flower.



A Beetle and a Frog were in the underwater garden.

And Hanid do the same. Then they all took a deep breath and put their heads under the water. But they kept their eyes open. And now Knarf and Hanid saw the underwater garden as it was meant to be seen! They saw tall, slender stems that looked like Christmas trees. They saw a thick forest of tall grass. They saw water fern and water cabbage and water lettuce. They saw moss that looked like lace.

Then they had to come up and take another breath.

Then Knarf put his head down into the garden again and saw a dozen fish hurrying through the ferns and trees on their way to school!

### Greeted goldfish

Then Hanid put her head down again and saw a Water Beetle talking to a Frog as they both met on top of a moss-covered rock!

Then Ting-a-Ling put his head down again and smiled "Good morning" to a Goldfish with a long, flowing tail who was sailing past, and the Goldfish opened its mouth and let out a chain of silver bubbles, which was the same as saying "Good morning," too.

All the rest of the morning Knarf and Hanid swam around Ting-a-Ling's underwater garden. And when they were about to go, he picked a yellow water lily blossom for Knarf and a white water lily blossom for Hanid.

### Really not much

"It really isn't my garden," he said. "It belongs to the lake. I call it mine because I like it so much."

Knarf and Hanid said they liked the underwater garden, too.

"Then you can call it Yours," said Ting-a-Ling. "We'll call it ours. It's our underwater garden," said Knarf and Hanid.

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## BRITAIN VERSUS S. AFRICA WIMBLEDON LADIES' SINGLES SEMI-FINALS GREAT WIN BY TRUMAN

Staves off four match points  
to beat Margaret Smith

Mortimer, Reynolds, Schuurman the other semi-finalists

London, July 4.

Britain and South Africa will battle out the semi-finals of the women's singles on Thursday in the 75th Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships.

The South African lawn tennis "twins," top-seeded Sandra Reynolds and unsaved Rene Schuurman, and Britain's Christine Truman and Angela Mortimer today won through to the semi-finals.

Miss Reynolds, runner-up last year, will meet Miss Mortimer, a finalist in 1956. Miss Schuurman meets Miss Truman.

Miss Reynolds, a hot favourite for the title gave her supporters a fright when she dropped the first set against the tiny Mexican, Yola Ramirez. But the graceful, 22-year-old Bloemfontein blonde came staving back to win her Centre Court battle by 4-6, 6-3, 6-0.

#### Cheered

Twenty-nine-year-old Miss Mortimer, steady and tenacious, dominated the Czechoslovakian champion, Vera Sukova, 6-3, 6-4 to register the only straight sets win in today's quarter-finals.

Miss Truman, the No. 6 seed, was cheered to the echo on a packed Centre Court when she staved off four match points and rallied to topple Margaret Smith, Australian champion and No. 2 seed, 3-6, 6-3, 6-7.

On the adjacent No. 1 court, sturdy Miss Schuurman, 21, from Durban, saved one set point in her eighth, ceded American, Karen Hantze, 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.

Despite the first set reverse against Miss Ramirez, Miss Reynolds adhered rigidly to her tactical plan to keep hard driving, especially with her weighty forehand. The Mexican matched her stroke for stroke at the outset, but Miss Reynolds gradually wore her down and by the final set had taken a decisive grip.

Miss Mortimer, Britain's most consistent Wimbledon performer, with seven quarter-final appearances to her credit, outlasted Mrs Sukova in a match of many service breaks on both sides.

The 30-year-old Czechoslovak, who as Miss Fuzekova had a tournament record on continental hard courts, could make no impression on Miss Mortimer from the base line in the first set, and switched to a net attack in the second. She had more success with these tactics, but Miss Mortimer refused to be flustered and passed her with sufficient frequency to ensure continued command of the match.

#### Power tennis

In a great display of masculine-like power tennis from both girls, Miss Truman beat Miss Smith in 83 minutes. It was a thrilling, fluctuating battle, and it took Miss Truman into the semi-finals for the third time in her career.

The greater experience of the 20-year-old Essex blonde, and the tremendous penetration of her new-style "inches bend" service, which she developed only last month, got her home after several times being on the verge of defeat.

In two recent meetings, 18-year-old Miss Smith, a protégé of 1952 Wimbledon champion Frank Sedgeman, had triumphed over the British player. She looked fit for a third win today, but youth and Centre Court nerves, which so often have hit fancied players on their first visit to Wimbledon, cost her the chance of becoming the first Australian ever to reach the women's final. She is such a talented player, however, that her turn will surely come.

Both girls, who are not far short of six feet, possessed great power of stroke, evidently the result of their weight-lifting training. Miss Truman had the advantage of service, Miss Smith was more incisive on the volley.

#### Match points

Miss Smith reached her third match point in the 12th game. She forced her opponent wide, but with an open court in front of her she volleyed over the base line. Again in the 14th game, the athletic Australian needed only one point for victory, this time her forehead overhit the side line.

Miss Truman hung on grimly to 7-7 and then, striking her best volleying spell of the match, broke through for an 8-7 lead, amid mounting tension. With a cathedral-like quiet in the huge arena, Miss Truman confidently held her own service to win.

Miss Schuurman doggedly fought for victory through a patchy error-ridden match against Miss Hantze, an 18-year-old Californian, from San Diego. The young American appeared nervous before the capacity crowd and rarely had her superior power under control. Miss Schuurman's game was more reliable, though she too had her lapses in a match in which fortune fluctuated widely.

After Miss Schuurman had saved a match point with an accurate cross-court return of service in the 10th game of the final set, she went on to take that game and level at 5-5.

Deuce was called four times in the next game before the South African held her own delivery. She then broke through Miss Hantze again to take the match.

It was Miss Schuurman's second successive triumph over a seeded player. She eliminated third seeded Ann Haydon of Britain last Saturday.

#### Results

Results of today's matches were:

**WOMEN'S SINGLES**

C. Truman (Britain) beat M. Smith (Australia) 3-6, 6-3, 6-7.

R. Schuurman (South Africa) beat K. Hantze (USA) 6-4, 2-6, 7-5.

A. Mortimer (Britain) beat Mrs V. Sukova (Czechoslovakia) 6-3, 6-4, 3-6, 6-0.

S. Reynolds (South Africa) beat Y. Ramirez (Mexico) 4-6, 6-3, 6-0.

**MIXED DOUBLES**

G. D. Oakley and Miss H. S. Clarke (Britain) beat M. A. Olway (New Zealand) and Mrs V. A. Roberts (Britain) 6-4, 2-6, 9-7.

J. E. Barrett and Miss R. F. Woodcock (Britain) beat T. Taylor (Australia) and Miss R. A. Blacklock (Britain) 6-2, 7-5.

E. Mandorico (Brazil) and Miss C. H. Coronado (Spain) beat M. J. Sangster and Miss D. M. Catt (Britain) 6-4, 6-3, 6-0.

A. Bey (Rhodesia) and Miss L. M. Hutchings (South Africa) beat



ANGELA MORTIMER

## Middlesex take over County Cricket lead

London, July 4.

Middlesex, who beat Glamorgan at Lord's, scored their sixth successive win today, and taking 14 points, went to the top of the Championship table for the first time this season.

Hampshire, the previous leaders, did not get bonus points in their win over Essex, and lie second, while Yorkshire, the champions, won against Somerset to maintain third position in the table.

Fast bowler Alan Moss, who had taken four wickets overnight, continued to prove too much for the Glamorgan batsmen at Lord's and the Welsh county were all out for 97, only Alan Jones, with 50, standing firm.

**Captain's innings**  
Middlesex, needing 25 to win, knocked off the runs for the loss of Eric Russell.

Yorkshire only needed 45 minutes to complete a nine-wicket victory against Somerset, the overnight batsmen Ken Taylor and Doug Padgett, knocking off the 38 runs required without trouble.

An unbeaten 132 in two hours 23 minutes by skipper Colin Ingleby-Mackenzie piloted Hampshire to their four-wicket win against Essex. The captain hit 17 fours after coming in at 35 for four.

Hampshire had been set 241 to win in 215 minutes and clinched the issue with 25 minutes to spare.

Kent's Bob Wilson (117) and Colin Cowdrey (94) shared an exciting third-wicket stand of 196 in 130 minutes before lunch against Surrey at Blackheath.

Wilson hit 17 fours and batted just under three hours.

**Collapsed**  
Surrey, set to score 250 to win in 170 minutes, began well; but at 130, after losing Mickey Stewart, Peter May and Ken Barrington while nine runs were added, gave up the chase and the match ended in a draw.

Warwickshire lost their last seven wickets for 44 runs after lunch in 50 minutes against Worcestershire, who won by 134 runs. Warwickshire, set to make 238, collapsed against the medium pace bowling of John Flavel, who took five for 30, and the left-arm spin of Norman Gifford, who claimed five for 34. They were all out for 103.

**Results**  
Results of today's matches were:

At Hull: Yorkshire beat Somerset by nine wickets. Somerset 103 and 161, York-

shire 225 and 53 for one. Yorkshire 12 points.

At Lord's: Middlesex beat Glamorgan by nine wickets. Glamorgan 298 and 97 (A. Jones 50, A. Moss eight for 30). Middlesex 371 for nine declared and 28 for one. Middlesex 14 points.

At Hove: Sussex beat Oxford University by 135 runs. Sussex 299 for nine declared and 196 for three declared. Oxford University 196 and 116.

At Derby: Derbyshire beat Leicestershire by nine wickets. Leicestershire 178 and 150. Derbyshire 183 and 129 for one (C. Lee 64 not out). Derbyshire 14 points.

At Warwick: Worcestershire beat Warwickshire by 134 runs. Worcestershire 287 for nine declared and 158. Warwickshire 188 and 109 (J. Flavel five for 30, N. Gifford five for 34). Worcestershire 14 points.

At Blackheath: Match drawn. Kent 400 for eight declared and 261 for four declared (A. Wilson 117, M. Cowdrey 94). Surrey 187 for seven declared (C. Lee 107 for four (M. Stewart 67), Surrey two points.

At Cowes: Hampshire beat Essex by four wickets. Essex 321 for nine declared and 150 for five declared (T. Bailey 44 not out). Hampshire 231 and 243 for six (D. Livingstone 44, A. Ingleby-Mackenzie 132 not out). Hampshire 12 points. Essex four points.

At Nottingham: Nottinghamshire beat Northamptonshire by 127 runs. Nottinghamshire 343 for eight declared and 165 for seven declared. Northamptonshire 232 and 149 (A. Lightfoot 76). Nottinghamshire 14 points.—Reuter.

**HK in SE Asia Golf Tournament**

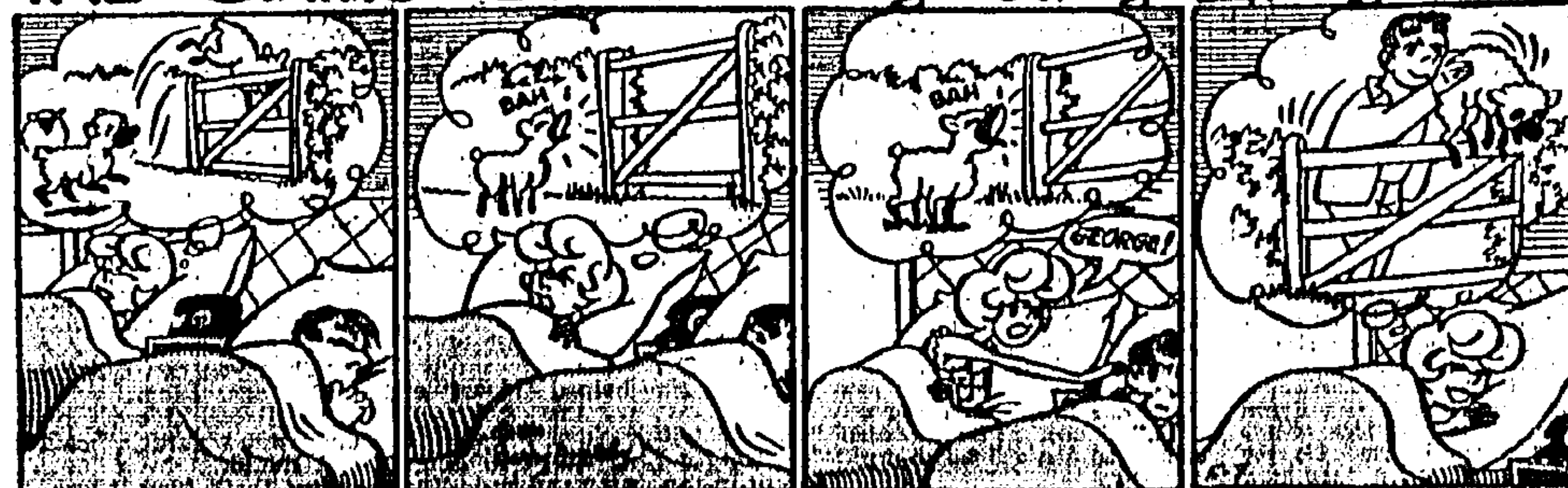
Kuala Lumpur, July 4. Seven countries will take part in the first Southeast Asian Amateur Golf Team Championships to be held here from July 19 to 22. A spokesman of the Selangor Golf Club, organizer of the tournament said tonight.

The countries are Hongkong, Malaysia, Singapore, Thailand, South Vietnam, Indonesia and Burma.

Each country, to be represented by four players will compete for the Putra Cup donated by Malaysia's Prime Minister, Tun Abdul Rahman.—Reuter.

## THE GAMBOLS . . .

by Barry Appleby



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## Blind faith of a killer's wife

But Jones is called evil as he gets 'life'

By ARNOLD LATCHAM and RODNEY HALLWORTH

Grey-haired Mrs Grace Amelia Jones wept last week when told that her 44-year-old husband Arthur Albert Jones had been sentenced to life imprisonment for the murder of 12-year-old Girl Guide Brenda Nash.

For the judge's decision means that the man she still believes in will be behind bars for at least 19 years even with maximum remission.

The life sentence, Mr Justice Sachs ruled, will begin AFTER the 14 years Jones got in March for the rape of another little Girl Guide.

### 'She believes'

As Mrs Jones, married for 23 years and the mother of two, slumped over the matron's table in a room at the Old Bailey earlier, a friend said: "She will never admit to herself that her husband could have committed such terrible crimes."

"She still believes in her husband. But perhaps her blind faith, as a wife, is understandable at the moment."

"What she has done for him, the evidence she has given twice to support his abhis, the publicity and abuse she has brought on herself, are all things which she, says any wife would do for her husband."

"She has received hundreds of letters sneering at her for standing by him. But they did not deter her. She has been visiting her husband twice a week at prison. No man could have wanted for a more devoted wife."

"She has sacrificed herself for him."

As her 22-year-old married daughter Blanche came into the room, Mrs Jones, still sobbing, begged: "Can I see him now before they take him away?"

But permission for a brief reunion in the cell between the legal wife and the man whose two crimes, Mr Justice Sachs said, were "evil to a degree beyond all adjectives," was refused.

"You must write to the governor of Wandsworth prison tomorrow," Mrs Jones was told.

Mrs Jones, who still lives in Ely-road, Hounslow, where her husband was arrested last December, was left alone in the court clinic when the jury retired at 12.27.

Her daughter and their friends went for coffee, expecting the jury to be out for some time after a six-day trial.

But the jury of three men and nine women stayed in their room for only four minutes.

**FOUR MINUTES**... that was all the time it took them to decide that Jones was the Friday-night prowler who lured Brenda to her death in the hurried home from a Guide meeting in the fog of October 28, 1950, sexually assaulted her, and strangled her.

In his black 1953 Vauxhall he drove her body to Yatchley Common, Hampshire, and hid it in the couch-grass.

**FOUR MINUTES**... to place the stamp of decision on a police probe which lasted six months, involved over 100,000 people, the checking of 200,000 cars, and the inch by inch search of an acreage equal to the whole of Surrey.

**FOUR MINUTES**... not even time to tell Mrs Jones that the jury was agreed.

It was the kindly Scots matron who finally told Mrs Jones of the verdict and the judge's last words.

And those words—"It would be lamentable indeed if upon the second sentence (that of life imprisonment) you did not serve a far longer time than upon the first"—finally bowed the head of the sad, tormented woman.

### After verdict

The four-minute jury learned of Jones's previous conviction for the rape of another 12-year-old Girl Guide only after their verdict was given.

Then the judge, departing from the usual procedure in a murder trial, called Superintendent Frederick Hixson to the witness-box to reveal the secret.

Mr Norman Broderick, Q.C., for Jones, submitted that the judge had no power to impose consecutive life imprisonment.

But his plea failed. And as Jones stood stiffly, a flush spreading slowly across his scarred face as his only sign of emotion, the judge passed sentence.



Mrs Jones—she had a four-minute wait

## TWO CAUGHT WITH DRUGS SENT TO JAIL

Wong Yiu, a 27-year-old unemployed man was sentenced to 2½ years jail by Mr T. C. Chan at North Kowloon Magistracy this morning for possessing 83 packets of dangerous drugs.

Insp Wang Hei-man, prosecuting, said that on July 3, a policeman on duty at the hillside of Fat Tong-road near the new Shek Kip Mei village saw the defendant throw a tin on the ground and run away.

The policeman picked up the tin and caught defendant after a short chase.

He found the drugs in the tin. Another man, Chu Ki, 45, living at an unnumbered hut at Kam Tin, New Territories, was sentenced to six months when he admitted possessing 2.6 grammes of barbitone and 0.2 grammes of heroin.

The defendant was seen acting in a suspicious manner at the top of Mission Hill near the new Shek Kip Mei police station. Defendant on being searched by a policeman dropped a packet on the ground.

The policeman found drugs in the packet.

### Police recruits to parade

Mr C. A. R. Wright-Nooth, Assistant Commissioner of Police (Headquarters), will take the salute at a passing out parade of 13 probationary inspectors and 20 Cantonese recruit police constables to be held at the Police Training School in Aberdeen on Saturday.

On parade will be a total of nine probationary inspectors, two women probationary inspectors and 74 recruit police constables. The band of the Police Force will be in attendance.

### Toastmasters hold meeting

At a meeting of the Victoria Toastmasters yesterday, the President, Mr L. K. Khemiyani spoke to guests about its purpose.

He said that the club was mainly directed at young men who sought to improve themselves in speech and leadership as a means of increasing their usefulness in business and social relationships.

The fundamental purposes were to improve oral expression, to develop the ability to appear effectively before audiences, to encourage the habit of analytical listening and to promote good fellowship among those interested in speech improvement.

### SPEECH TRAINING

This was achieved through a standard club programme every Tuesday evening from 8.45 pm which included basic speech training and objective speech evaluation. Requirements for membership were very modest—merely a good command of English, the desire to put it to its best possible use and a willingness to accept gracefully the evaluation of other toastmasters.

### Traffic charge

Agnar Espersen of 9 Norfolk-road, Kowloon was charged before Mr J. E. Dargan at the North Kowloon magistracy this morning with careless driving.

He was alleged to have committed the offence outside 25 Chatham-road on April 24.

Esperen could not appear in court this morning because of illness.

The case was then adjourned until July 12.

### Site worth \$600 a square foot

An architect today estimated a site in Mongkok as being worth \$600 a square foot.

In reply to questioning by Mr W. Anouin Jones, Tenancy Tribunal President, Mr Fung Tsun gave this estimate concerning Nos 670-681, Nathan-road, Mongkok, near to the Broadway Theatre during exemption proceedings which started this morning.

Capt James William Jones and Mr C. G. Smith sat with the President on the Tribunal.

Mr Wong Tse-fai and his son, Mr Wong Kwong-leung, were applicants represented by Mr A. S. C. Comber.

They propose to replace the two 35-year-old tenements by a modern 14-storey block costing \$650,000.

Mr Fung designed the planned structure which will increase the floor area from 7,000 to 33,000 square feet.

Tenants of two shops had already accepted settlement offers of \$50,000 each when the proceedings were adjourned for compensation discussion.

### Mrs M. Dale dies at 44

Mrs Marian Ellen Dale, wife of Mr Paul Ross Dale, for East Manager of the International Telephone and Telegraph, U.S., died at the Connaught Hospital yesterday evening.

She was 44.

The late Mrs Dale was suffering from an old neck injury sustained in a fall years ago.

Like her husband, Mrs Dale came from Fresno, California.

She had worked once as a secretary in the U.S. Government office in Korea.

The Dales were married eight years ago.

Boating enthusiasts, the couple owned the 36½-foot sloop, Feng Huang.

Mrs Dale is also survived by her twin sister, Mrs Margaret A. Zumwalt in the U.S., and three sons by an earlier marriage: Douglas, 22, in U.S. Air Force, James, and Gerald, twins of 20, both in U.S. Navy.

The body is now reposing in the International Funeral Parlor.

Funeral arrangements are awaiting the return of Mrs Zumwalt from America soon.

### Compensation for tenants

Compensation amounting to more than \$47,500 for tenants of No. 8 Sharp-street East in Wanchai and exemption for the premises have been recommended by a Tenancy Tribunal.

Mr J. R. Oliver, Tenancy Tribunal President, with members Mr H. M. Alrakha and Mr Ko Wing-lung, heard the exemption application brought by Mr Ng Yee-king and Mr Lee Chun-choy.

Mr A. Y. Hon appeared for the applicants, who propose to demolish the existing 25-year-old tenement house, described by the architect, Mr Steven S. L. Yue, as being in a poor state of repair.

On the site will rise a six-storey structure costing \$100,000.



Mr Kaare Ingstad, the Norwegian Consul General, pins the Florence Nightingale Medal on Sister Annie Skau. A large number of people witnessed the ceremony held on Sunday at the Norwegian Seamen's Church in Kowloon. The medal was awarded to Sister Skau by the International Red Cross in recognition of her work for the sick in Hongkong.

## Crown replies to submissions in appeal case

The Crown this morning replied to submissions in the appeal against conviction by two police inspectors who were sentenced to jail in connection with the written driving test conspiracy.

The two inspectors, Chan Kwok-wai and Tse Hei, were sentenced to four months' jail by Judge B. J. Jennings at the Victoria District Court earlier this year. They are represented by Mr Leo D'Almada, instructed by Mr Y. H. Chan.

Mr Harold Hobson, Crown Counsel, submitted to the Full Court that the prosecution witnesses gave evidence that established the links in the conspiracy between the appellants and another accused, Lung Po, a woman who was sentenced to a year's jail by the same judge.

### EVIDENCE

The Crown Counsel said the witnesses testified to the effect that they were approached by Lung Po who told them that she could "fix up their examinations for a fee."

Other evidence showed that an accomplice, Yeung Man-so, and the appellants were in contact with each other.

There was also corroboration in the evidence of the accomplice—in the early part of his evidence, Chan Kwok-wai in a meeting with Yeung in a restaurant asked for \$3,000 in advance and this was corroborated in Yeung's notebook which referred to a \$3,000 advance to Chan, he said.

The notebook was produced after the verbal evidence was given, Mr Hobson added. Also shown in the book was Chan's home and office telephone number. Next to his number was Chan's nickname, "Tai Kor."

### STANDING ORDERS

Part of the traffic standing orders referred to contacts between investigating officers and driving instructors, Mr Hobson went on. Both Chan and Tse were investigating officers at that time and witnesses have given evidence that they had seen and talked with Lung Po and another driving instructor Poon Pak.

The standing orders were to the effect that investigators were not allowed to associate with driving instructors.

Hearing continues this afternoon.

The Full Court comprises the Chief Justice, Sir Michael Hogan, and Mr Justice A. D. Scholes.

From the Files

**25 years AGO**

July 1936

THE second match in the American High Handicap Polo Tournament was played at the Polo Ground, Boundary-street, on Saturday afternoon when the Nomads scored a well-deserved victory over the Royal Welch Fusiliers, despite the fact they had to concede seven goals handicap to the latter.

The result was in doubt up to the last chucker, when the Nomads scored five goals, and won the game by 10 goals to eight.

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50 YEARS AGO

Extract from SCM Post 25 years ago column

"No cause has been more fruitful of heart-burnings in the breasts of salaried men in Hongkong than the wicked fluctuations of the dollar. It has ever been the case that a fall in the sterling value of the local currency has been followed by a more than equivalent rise in the price of commodities, which no levelling of the value of the dollar has ever succeeded in restoring to normal."

"Thus the expense of living has gone on increasing until it now costs the ordinary work-a-day individual a much to make ends meet in his extremely modest home as would suffice to run a mansion in the home country."

"At one time the dollar was the basis of pay in all business concerns and throughout the Government service in the Colony, but its unsteadiness became so intolerably irksome that several of the larger firms took the matter into consideration and made arrangements so that their staff should not suffer. No matter which way the dollar went, they were bound under the new arrangement to receive an adequate return for their services."

"The position of the government servants, owing to pensions and certain privileges, was somewhat different, and an attempt in 1902 to induce all civil officials and employees to accept a sterling pay, converted at the current rate of the day, met with the result that there are still in the service lucky men who draw pay and pension at the convertible rate of four shillings to the dollar."

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